The Mapleton Item.

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LOCAL NOTES.

—The borough schools close to-day.

—T. L. Banks, of Harrisburg, was a Sunday visitor to Mapleton.

—S. P. Wensel, of Huntingdon, was transacting business in Mapleton last Saturday.

—John Dougherty and family, of Altoona, were recent guests of J. C. Griffin's family.

—Dr. J. G. Spangler and wife spent a few days of the past week with friends in Pittsburg.

—An Easter service will be held in the M. E. church next Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock.

—Miss Lizzie Sloan and James F. Swope, of Union township, were among our recent callers.

—For men's dress suits, shoes, hats, shirts, etc., it will pay to go to W. G. Ewing's, Mt. Union, Pa.

—Edward Brown returned home last Friday from a visit to parents and friends in Springfield township.

—Cleanse the liver, purify the blood, invigorate the body by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers. These famous little pills always act promptly. A. B. Gillam, J. L. Houck.

—McCarl's liniment is good for man or beast. It quickly brings relief when applied to aches, pains, sprains, cuts or bruises. Try it.

—Clean up the rubbish about your premises and use plenty of lime if you want to do your part in promoting health and public comfort.

—The brick works at Mount Union suspended operations last Thursday evening as a result of the East Broad Top coal miners' strike.

—At W. G. Ewing's, Mt. Union, you can get dress plaids as low as 5 cents per yard and all wool 36 inch dress goods at 25 cents per yard.

—A box of salve is a requsite in every household. When buying get McCarl's ointment which has healing properties unequaled by any other salve.

—H. Clark, Chauncey, Ga., says DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured him of piles that had afflicted him for twenty years. It is also a speedy cure for skin diseases. Beware of dangerous counterfeits. A. B. Gillam, J. L. Houck.

—Our young friend E. M. Greene, of Saltillo, returned home a few days ago from a trip to Roanoke and Salem, Virginia. The firm of which he is a member has large interests in that section.

—J. I. Carson, Prothonotary, Washington, Pa., says, "I have found Kodol Dyspepsia Cure an excellent remedy in case of stomach trouble, and have derived great benefit from its use." It digests what you eat and cannot fail to cure. A. B. Gillam, J. L. Houck.

—G. W. Yocum & Co. have some interesting information for ITEM readers in this issue. Mr. Yocum's good taste makes his store room one of the most interesting places in Huntingdon. Go and see him.

—Jere B. Rex, Esq., of Huntingdon, spent a few hours in Mapleton on Monday. Jere has not entirely recovered from the effects of the paralytic stroke which afflicted him in January but his condition is gradually improving.

—J. Monroe Dell, of Langdondale, spent a portion of the past week with parents and friends in Cass township. Mr. Dell has a responsible position with the United Collieries company and enjoys the confidence of his employers.

—Why not get rid of that hacking cough before it runs into something more serious? McCarl's Cough Syrup is an excellent remedy for coughs, colds croup and all irritations and inflamations of the throat or chest. Price 25 cents per bottle.

—Lloyd, a thirteen-year-old son of J. Quincy Dell, of Cass township, was with his father last Thursday hauling a load of staves to Mapleton. When about a mile from town the lad reached for the brake lever to lock the wagon as it descended a hill. As he did so the wagon lurched and he fell off, his right ankle getting under the wheel. His ankle was badly sprained. His injuries were dressed by Dr. Spangler and at last reports he was getting along nicely.

—"No family can afford to be without One Minute Cough Cure. It will stop a cough and cure a cold quicker than any other medicine," writes C. W. Williams, Sterling Run, Pa. It cures croup, bronchitis and all throat and lung troubles and prevents consumption Pleasant and harmless. A. B. Gillam, J. L. Houck.

—Last week the last house in the old Jackstown settlement, one mile east of town, was razed to the ground. This leaves a section of nearly five miles along the old pike in Brady township uninhabited. Less than a score of years ago sixteen families resided in that district.

—The ladies of the U. B. aid society will hold a social in their old stand, the Hetrick store room, on Main street, April 20th and 21st. A lunch table supplied with all the good things available, 10 cents. Will also sell oysters, ice cream, cake, etc. The patronage of the public is solicited.

—W. W. Mayhew, Merton, Wis., says, "I consider One Minute Cough Cure a most wonderful medicine, quick and safe." It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. It cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, grippe, whooping cough, pneumonia and all throat and lung diseases. Its early use prevents consumption. Children always like it and mothers endorse it. A. B. Gillam, J. L. Houck.

—Irvin Ramsey, of Robertsdale, a brother of Mrs. Edward Brown, of Mapleton, who last fall had his foot and ankle injured in a cage at Homestead, went to a hospital in Philadelphia a few weeks ago for treatment. While there it was found necessary to amputate the injured member. He returned to Mapleton a few days ago minus a foot but feeling confident that it is better as it is than to have gone through life with the useless member.

—If troubled with rheumatism, give Chamberlain's Pain Balm a trial. It will not cost you a cent if it does no good. One application will relieve the pain. It also cures sprains and bruises in one-third the time required by any other treatment. Cuts, burns, frostbites, quinsey, pains in the side and chest, glandular and other swellings are quickly cured by applying it. Every bottle warranted. Price, 25 and 50 cents. J. G. Gillam.

—A sad accident befell Grace, the little 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Pyles, of Cromwell township, on Tuesday last. The child had gone to the steam saw mill of Morrison & Lauthers on an errand, and on leaving a live spark from the stack fell on her clothing. When she discovered her clothing afire she started to run. Her cries attracted the attention of the mill men, but before they could reach her side the flames had totally enveloped her. She lingered in agony for some thirty minutes, when death came to her relief.

—The railroad painters are beautifying the company's property at this place. Since the painters were last located in Mapleton some changes have taken place Mr. George W. Wallace, of Harrisburg, is now boss painter on this division and in addition to paying strict attention to his duties, in his social hours we have found him a very companionable gentleman. Two new cars now furnish them with accommodations when out on the road. These cars are fitted up with all the conveniences in culinary department, dining room and slumber room, and chief cook Wox keeps everything in a neat and cleanly condition.

—Lawrence Megahan, of Logan township, employed as a cinder man at Warrior Ridge, was killed last Saturday night. He had been to Huntingdon Saturday evening and went to Warrior Ridge station on Altoona accommodation. He there boarded a freight train to go to his home, about a mile west of the station. In attempting to get off in front of his house he fell under the wheels and was literally ground to pieces. Although within a few feet of his door the remains were not discovered until Sunday morning. He was aged 27 years and is survived by his wife and two children.

—J. O. Heaton, Cassville, Pa., recommends and sells all of Chamberlain's remedies advertised in the ITEM.

—Otto Korb, Grand Chancellor, K. P., Boonville, Ind., says, "DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve soothes the most delicate skin and heals the most stubborn ulcer with certain and good results." Cures piles and skin diseases. Don't buy an imitation. A. B. Gillam, J. L. Houck

—Miss Rettie Shoop, a very pleasant young lady, of Rockhill, was the guest of friends in Union township last week. In company with Mrs. Harry Quarry she favored the ITEM office with a brief call.

—W. H. Shipman, Beardsley, Minn., under oath, says he suffered from dyspepsia for twenty-five years. Doctors and dieting gave but little relief. Fnally he used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and now eats what he likes and as much as he wants. and he feels like a new man. It digests what you eat. A. B. Gillam, J. L. Houck.

—The Robertsdale and Woodvale miners went out on a strike last Thursday. The company granted an increase in wages for mining on the 1st inst. and at the same time raised the rents one dollar per month. It is to be hoped the differences may be quickly adjusted.

—In almost every neighborhood there is some one whose life has been saved by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, or who has been cured of Chronic diarrhoea by the use of that medicine. Such persons make a point of telling of it whenever opportunity offers, hoping that it may be the means of saving other lives. For sale by J. G. Gillam.

—The officers of Mapleton Lodge, No. 468, I. O. O. F., were installed for the current term by D. D. G. M., T. M. Wood last Friday evening. They are as follows: N. G., J. G. Gillam; V. G., W. H. Stubbs; Sec., M. L. Rex; Asst. Sec., C. W. Corbin; Treas., David Shore; R. S. N. G., W. H. Mounts; L. S. N. G., Harry Barkley; R. S. V. G., E. O. Hooper; L. S. V. G., S. B. Neice; W., G. D. Wood; C., L. L. Parker; I. G., A. Brumbaugh; O. G., H. H. Swope; R. S. S., Levi Johnston; L. S. S., Harry Bailey; Chaplain, William Brininger. The Lodge is in excellent condition. Seven members were added during the past term.

The Best in the World.

We believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best in the world. A few weeks ago we suffered with a severe cold and a troublesome cough, and having read their advertisements in our own and other papers we purchased a bottle to see if it would effect us. It cured us before the bottle was more than half used. It is the best medicine out for colds and coughs.—The Herald, Andersonville, Ind. For sale by J. G. Gillam.

A Word to Farmers.

Farmers and others desiring to purchase fruit or ornamental trees are urged to correspond with me before purchasing. The stock I have sold in this county in the past years has proven true to name and the trees were healthy. This ought to be convincing evidence that it is better to buy from reliable home agents than from strangers. I intend canvassing the county thoroughly this season and want your patronage.

L. C. CORBIN,
9-28-98. tf Huntingdon, Pa

Remarkable Cure of Rheumatism.

KENNA, Jackson Co., W. Va.—About three years ago my wife had an attack of rheumatism which confined her to her bed for over a month and rendered her unable to walk a step without assistance, her limbs being swollen to double their normal size. Mr. S. Maddox insisted on my using Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I purchased a fifty-cent bottle and used it according to the directions and the next morning she walked to breakfast without assistance in any manner, and she has not had a similar attack since.—A. B. PARSONS. For sale by J. G. Gillam.

Marriage Licenses.

Naum L. Rohrer and Dorothy E. Starr, both of Selea, Pa.

Levi Gearhart and Catharine A. Ramsey, both of Barree township, Pa.

Joseph H. Dell, Cass township, and Orbie M. Long, Clay township.

A Letter from Colorado.

SALIDA, March 30, 1900.

EDITOR ITEM:—Come with me some fine morning and take a trip by freight over a division of the Scenic Line of the World between Salida and Minturn. We will have the Colorado and California fast freight No. 63, fifteen cars, more or less, mostly loaded with merchandise. There may be a car or two loaded with mining machinery, or perhaps it is machinery for Uncle Sam's war ships in the Philippine Islands, a couple of cars loaded with army rations and ammunition for our soldier boys in the same place, and last but not least, for it is not the lightest, they put on a car of coal just to make out a full train. Before we have gone very far the engineer knows if the train is a heavy one or not and if he can make the run on time, everything else being favorable.

Leaving Salida the road takes us out over a level, sandy country that stretches out on either side for a mile to the foot hills. There is no snow near and the little brown prairie dogs scamper to their underground residences, there stop, stand erect on their hind feet a moment to look at the train before they disappear under the ground. They hibernate during the winter months and though they have been out for more than a month are still gaunt and thin after so long a sleep. I am told their early appearance indicates an early spring.

A few miles takes us to Brown Canon through which beside the railroad flows the Arkansas river. It is not so narrow, light or grand as some other canons along the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, but with its sloping sides of rocky ledges reminds one of some places seen in our own Pennsylvania. Seven miles again brings us into open country that is rough and hilly with big granite boulders and here and there a scrubby pine tree suggests to one a similarity of the country in South Africa where the English and Boers are at war. There are few houses, only here and there we see a place someone has managed to bring water by a long ditch on the arid, sandy soil and raise some Alfalfa for hay to tide his cattle over winter after the grass gets so scarce on the range or is covered by snow they can no longer live.

Towns, well they are few and far between and when you look at the map and see a dot and name many times in reality it is only a sidetrack for trains to pass one another and occasionally a house where the section foreman and his men reside. Twenty-five miles and we are at Buena Vista, a town of 1500 people, and the county seat of Chaffee county. It now is a dull, quiet place, but I am told in the early days before the coming of railroads when everything was hauled or packed in the country on the backs of burros it was a freighters' station. In those days there was always a rough, wild set of men stopped here over night or a day or two before going on farther to mining camps. Those days there wasn't much regard for the law of the land but every man carried his own law conveniently strapped on his person where it was most handy. Old residents say it was of daily occurrence for someone to take their exit from this world by the six-shooter route in the hands of someone quicker or a better marksman.

Now a word for the burros I have just spoken of—an animal of the mule kind, not so large and ugly as the ugliest but more docile than the comparison, and capable of carrying great loads over the rough, steep, narrow mountain paths.

The next town is Granite, a small place of few houses and a couple saloons, the latter always very much in evidence in a mining country. The only thing here likely to interest the traveler is a long box-like schute extending out over the river bank on light trestles. The schute is open on top and is called a flume. It runs back into the hills for a couple of miles to where they are digging out placer gold. A steam shovel is used to dig out the dirt. It is then dumped into the flume and washed by water down its full length. Auger holes in the bottom catch the black sand which carries the fine particles of gold. This is gathered, put through a quicksilver process and the result is gold in a dust like form. All the time from early spring, when the danger of a freeze-up is past, till late in the fall there is seen a steady flow of dirty water and small stones flowing out the flume, failing, looks like the water flowing from an old-fashioned water power mill, only the wheel isn't there. These diggings have been worked for years by an English company. The dirt averages 7 cents a yard and the annual clean-up reaches as high as one hundred thousand dollars.

The next stop is Malter where we leave some cars consigned to Leadville, for all trains don't go by Leadville but take a near cut, leaving that town off to the right four miles avoiding a heavy grade. Our next stop is Tennessee Pass on the tip-top of the Rocky Mountains proper, the continental divide. Here at our feet the water flows east, finding its way into the Gulf of Mexico, and only a little ways over there it flows west and eventually into the Pacific Ocean. Here we are more than 10,000 feet above sea level, a gradual rise in 70 miles, since leaving Salida, of 30,000 feet,

A car inspector examines the train, sees that the brakes are all in order and working good before we start down the heavy grade on the other side. Passing through a long tunnel the train plunges down a 3½ degree grade, around sharp curves, through more tunnels, along mountain sides, above high precipices, past charcoal ovens built of brick and like an old-fashioned beehive. Nearby is the colony of French Canadians that cut the wood and burn it into charcoal. They live in little low log cabins with the cow stable often-times built against one end, I presume for convenience sake. Looks from an outside view they might move at a moment's notice and leave little behind.

We now go through the beautiful Eagle River canon. Above its high almost perpendicular sides of rock can be seen part of the mining town of Gilman. The mines are located in the sides of the canon and the buildings sticking up there as they do look like they might tumble down on the railroad many hundreds of feet below.

Leaving this behind we are soon at Minturn, the terminal, a town of 500 souls and more log cabins. Here an engine and a train crew are in waiting to take our train down the Grand valley to Grand Junction, from there over the Utah desert to its various destinations.

C. M. STEVER.

LAST OF THE SEASON.

Low Rates to Washington and Baltimore via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The last ten-day Pennsylvania Railroad excursion of the season from Pittsburg and points in Western Pennsylvania to Washington will be run on May 10. Round-trip tickets will be sold at rates quoted below, good going on special train indicated, or on train No. 4, leaving Pittsburg at 8.30 P. M., and carrying through sleeping cars to Washington. Special train of through parlor cars and coaches will be run on the following schedule:

	Train leaves.	Rate.
Altoona	11.40 A. M.	$7 35
Bellwood	f 11.52 "	7 35
Tyrone	12.03 P. M.	7 25
Huntingdon	12.35 "	6 65
Mount Union	f 12.54 "	6 35
Lewistown Junction	1.33 "	5 60
Washington	Arrive 7.15 "	.....

"f" Stops only on notice to Agent.

Tickets will be good returning on any regular train, except the Pennsylvania Limited, until May 19, inclusive, and to stop off at Baltimore within limit.

Holders of special excursion tickets to Washington can purchase, at the Pennsylvania Railroad ticket offices in Washington, excursion tickets to Richmond at rate of $4 00, and to Old Point Comfort (all rail) at $6.00, from pursers of the Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company excursion tickets (not including meals and staterooms on steamers) to Old Point Comfort or Norfolk, Va., at $4.50, and to Virginia Beach, at $4.50; Washington to Mount Vernon and return, via Electric Railway, 50 cents.

Should the number of passengers not be sufficient to warrant the running of a special train, the company reserves the right to carry participants on regular train.

Tickets on sale in Pittsburg, at Union Ticket Office, 360 Fifth Avenue, and Union Station, and at all stations mentioned above. For full information apply to agents or Thomas E. Watt, Passenger Agent Western District, Fifth Avenue and Smithfield Street, Pittsburg. 4-11-5t

—A fire near Bailey's station on Saturday night last totally destroyed the dwelling occupied by George Beers and family. A neighbor discovered the flames and, breaking in the door, aroused the family who were sleeping soundly. Their escape being cut off by the stairway, Mr. Beers dropped his two children out of an upper window, and then jumped himself. Mrs. Beers hesitated to take the leap and at that instant the floor sank beneath her and she was engulfed in the flames. Her charred remains were recovered later in the day.

—W. G. Ewing, Mount Union, carries a big line of ladies' drees goods, muslin sheetings, table linens, sheetings, ginghams, plaids. etc., and it will pay to see his goods before purchasing.

Tetter, Salt-Rheum and Eczema.

The intense itching and smarting incident to these diseases is instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment Many very bad cases have been permanently cured by it. It is equally efficient for itching piles and a favorite remedy for sore nipples, chapped hands, chilblains, frost bites and chronic sore eyes. 25cts. per box. For sale by J. G. Gillam.

DR. CADY'S CONDITION POWDERS, are just what a horse needs when in bad condition. Tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. They are not food but medicine and the best in use to put a horse in prime condition. Price 25 cents per package. For sale by J. G. Gillam.

Returned the Compliment.

The vicar of the church school having finished his scripture lesson congratulated the top class on a coming holiday, and concluded with the expression of a hope that each boy would "return with clearer and better brains." He was somewhat taken aback with the universal response of "Same to you, sir!"

Cleanse Your Blood

The thing most desired of a Spring Medicine is thorough purification of the blood. With this work of cleansing going on there is complete renovation of every part of your system. Not only is the corrupt blood made fresh, bright and lively, but the stomach also responds in better digestion, its readiness for food at proper times gives sharp appetite, the kidneys and liver properly perform their allotted functions, and there is, in short, new brain, nerve, mental and digestive strength.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Possesses the peculiar qualities—*Peculiar to Itself*—which accomplish these good things for all who take it. An unlimited list of wonderful cures proves its merit.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee.

The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. ¼ the price of coffee.

15 cents and 25 cents per package. Sold by all grocers.

Tastes like Coffee
Looks like Coffee

Insist that your grocer gives you GRAIN-O Accept no imitation.

Collis P. Huntington is nearly ninety years old, but plans ahead as though he were going to live a thousand years.

In the city of Bremen a tax is laid on all incomes over $150 a year. It is now proposed to raise the limit to incomes of over $225 a year.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup The best remedy for whooping-cough. Give the child Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, relief will come at once and the sufferer will soon be cured. Price only 25 cts.

If afflicted with sore eyes, use **Thompson's Eye Water**

A HINT FOR SPRING.

When Housekeepers Are Brightening the Interiors of Their Homes.

Now that the backbone of this remarkable winter is broken, housekeepers are remarking the dingy look of the home interior. The question of new wall coverings is up. Paper is dear and short lived; kalsomines are dirty and scaly; paint is costly. The use of such a cement as Alabastine, for instance, will solve the problem This admirable wall coating is clean, pure and wholesome. It can be put on with no trouble by anyone; there is choice of many beautiful tints, and it is long lasting.

Fashions in Manila.

Here is another infallible sign that American influences are gaining ground: Two Spanish ladies were seen yesterday in a carriage, their glossy locks crowned with the very latest in the shape of two chic little hats which might have come straight from the millinery parlors of a down-down establishment in New York or Chicago. Yet it would be a pity were the graceful Spanish mantilla to pass into the great beyond.—Manila Tribune.

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price 50c

Berlin has fourteen persons whose annual income exceeds $250,000.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.
Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money

He's a lucky fellow who can fall in love without hurting himself.

How Are Your Kidneys?
Dr Hobbs' Sparagus Pills cure all kidney ills. Sample free. Add. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or N. Y

Eyes of which the whole iris is visible belong to erratic persons.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle

The stammering judge is apt to be noted for long sentences.

Piso's Cure cured me of a Throat and Lung trouble of three years' standing.—E. CADY Huntington, Ind., Nov. 12, 1894.

The man who excuses his own faults is seldom lenient with others.

To Cure Constipation Forever.
Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Mail by Aerial Tram.

That American ingenuity is capable of devising means to overcome apparently insurmountable obstacles is proved by the method adopted to supply mail to the little town of Smuggler, in mountainous Colorado. The mail is carried over a tramway, operated by a mining company, from Telluride. The pouches are securely locked in a steel bucket twenty-four by thirty-two inches, and conveyed a distance of one mile, to an elevation of over three thousand feet, in sixteen minutes, and landed with perfect safety at the door of the Smuggler postoffice, which is located among the clouds.

This arrangement is perfect in every particular, and can be operated successfully every day in the year, whereas it would be almost impossible to carry the mail on horseback up the steep mountain trail during the winter season, on account of frequent snowslides.

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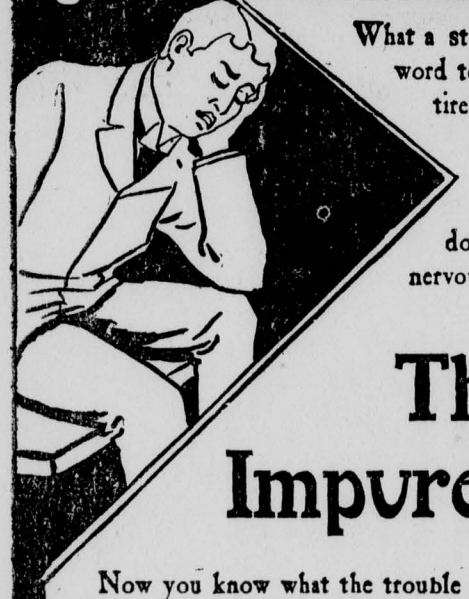

What a story of suffering that one word tells. It says: "I am all tired out. It seems to me I can hardly take another step. I haven't a particle of ambition. I can't do half my work, I am weak, nervous, and depressed."

That's Impure Blood

Now you know what the trouble is, you certainly know the cure,—a perfect Sarsaparilla. "Sarsaparilla" is simply the name of the medicine, for in a perfect Sarsaparilla there are a great many remedies.

What you want is a Sarsaparilla that will make your blood pure, a Sarsaparilla that will make it rich and strong, a Sarsaparilla that is a powerful nerve tonic You want the strongest and best.

That's AYER'S

"The only Sarsaparilla made under the personal supervision of three graduates: a graduate in pharmacy, a graduate in chemistry, and a graduate in medicine."

$1.00 a bottle. All druggists

"Last July my oldest daughter was taken sick, and by the time she began to mend I was down sick myself from caring for her. I was discouraged, and did not care much whether I lived or died. My husband got me a bottle of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and its effects were magical. Two bottles of it put me on my feet and made a well woman of me."—JANE M. BROWN, Bentonsport, Iowa, Jan. 19, 1900.

DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON.

SUNDAY'S DISCOURSE BY THE NOTED DIVINE.

Subject: Victory in Retreat—The Triumph of the Wicked is Short—Flee From Temptation—Calamity May Be Averted by Running Away From Evil.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—From an old time battle scene Dr. Talmage in this discourse makes some startling suggestions as to the best styles of Christian work and points out the reason of so many pious failures; text, Joshua viii., 7, "Then shall ye rise up from the ambush and seize upon the city."

One Sabbath evening, with my family around me, we were talking over the scene of the text. In the wide open eyes and the quick interrogations and the blanched cheeks I realized what a thrilling drama it was. There is the old city, shorter by name than any other city in the ages, spelled with two letters, A, I, Ai. Joshua and his men want to take it. How to do it is the question. On a former occasion, in a strightforward, face to face fight, they had been defeated, but now they are going to take it by ambuscade. General Joshua has two divisions in his army. The one division the battle-worn commander will lead himself, the other division he sends off to encamp in an ambush on the west side of the city of Ai. No torches, no lanterns, no sound of heavy battalions, but 30,000 swarthy warriors moving in silence, speaking only in a whisper; no clicking of swords against shields, lest the watchmen of Ai discover it, and the stratagem be a failure. If the roistering soldier in the Israelitish army forgets himself, all along the line the word is "Hush!"

Joshua takes the other division, the one with which he is to march, and puts it on the north side of the city of Ai and then spend the night in reconnoitering in the valley. There he is, thinking over the fortunes of the coming day with something of the feelings of Wellington the night before Waterloo or of Meade and Lee the night before Gettysburg. There he stands in the night and says to himself: "Yonder is the division in ambush on the west side of Ai. Here is the division I have under my especial command on the north side of Ai. There is the old city slumbering in its sin. Tomorrow will be the battle." Look! The morning already begins to tip the hills. The military officers of Ai look out in the morning very early, and, while they do not see the division in ambush, they behold the other divisions of Joshua, and the cry "To arms! To arms!" rings through all the streets of the old town, and every sword, whether hacked and bent or newly welded, is brought out, and all the inhabitants of the city of Ai pour through the gates, an infuriated torrent, and their cry is, "Come, we'll make quick work with Joshua and his troops!"

No sooner had these people of Ai come out against the troops of Joshua than Joshua gave such a command as he seldom gave—"Fall back!" Why, they could not believe their own ears! Is Joshua's courage failing him? The retreat is beaten, and the Israelites are flying, throwing blankets and canteens on every side under this worse than Bull Run defeat. And you ought to hear the soldiers of Ai cheer and cheer and cheer. But they huzza too soon. The men lying in ambush are straining their vision to get some signal from Joshua that they may know what time to drop upon the city. Joshua takes his burnished spear, glittering in the sun like a shaft of doom, and points it toward the city, and when the men up yonder in the ambush see it with hawklike swoop they drop upon Ai and without stroke of sword or stab of spear take the city and put it to the torch.

So much for the division that was in ambush. How about the division under Joshua's command? No sooner does Joshua stop in the flight than all his men stop with him, and as he wheels they wheel, for in a voice of thunder he cried "Halt!" one strong arm driving back a torrent of flying troops. And then, as he points his spear through the golden light toward that fated city, his troops know that they are to start for it. What a scene it was when the division in ambush which had taken the city marched down against the men of Ai on the one side, and the troops under Joshua doubled up their enemies from the other side, and the men of Ai were caught between these two hurricanes of Israelitish courage, thrust before and behind, stabbed in breast and back, ground between the upper and the nether millstones of God's indignation! Woe to the city of Ai! Cheer for Israel!

Lesson the first: There is such a thing as victorious retreat. Joshua's falling back was the first chapter in his successful besiegement. And there are times in your life when the best thing you can do is to run. You were once the victim of strong drink. The demijohn and the decanter were your fierce foes. They came down upon you with greater fury than the men of Ai upon the men of Joshua. Your only safety is to get away from them. Your dissipating companions will come around you for your overthrow. Run for your life! Fall back! Fall back from the drinking saloon! Fall back from the wine party! Your flight is your advance; your retreat is your victory. There is a saloon down on the next street that has almost been the ruin of your soul. Then why do you go along that street? Why do you not pass through some other street rather than by the place of your calamity? A spoonful of brandy taken for medicinal purposes by a man who twenty years before had been reformed from drunkenness hurled into inebriety and the grave one of the best friends I ever had. Retreat is victory!

So, also, there is victorious retreat in the religious world. Thousands of times the kingdom of Christ has seemed to fall back. When the blood of the Scotch Covenanters gave a deeper dye to the heather of the highlands, when the Vaudois of France chose extermination rather than make an unchristian surrender, when on St. Bartholomew's day mounted assassins rode through the streets of Paris, crying "Kill! Bloodletting is good in August! Kill! Death to the Huguenots! Kill!" when Lady Jane Grey's head rolled from the executioner's block, when Calvin was imprisoned in the castle, when John Knox died for the truth, when John Bunyan lay rotting in Bedford jail, saying, "If God will help me and my physical life continues, I will stay here until the moss grows on my eyebrows rather than give up my faith," the days of retreat for the church were days of victory.

But there is a more marked illustration of victorious retreat in the life of our Joshua, the Jesus of the ages. First falling back from an appalling height to an appalling depth, falling from celestial hills to terrestrial valleys, from throne to manger; yet that did not seem to suffice Him as as a retreat. Falling back still farther from Bethlehem to Nazareth, from Nazereth to Jerusalem, back from Jerusalem to Golgotha, back from Golgotha to the mausoleum in the rock, back down over the precipices of perdition until He walked amid the caverns of the eternal captives and drank of the wine of the wrath of Almighty God, amid the Ahabs and the Jezebels and the Belshazzars. Oh, men of the pulpit and men of the pew, Christ's descent from heaven to earth does not measure half the distance! It was from glory to perdition. He descended into hell. All the records of earthly retreat are as nothing compared with this falling back. Santa Anna, with the fragments of his army flying over the plateaus of Mexico, and Napoleon and his army retreating from Moscow into the awful snows of Russia are not worthy to be mentioned with this retreat, when all the powers of darkness seemed to be pursuing Christ as He fell back until the body of Him who came to do such wonderful things lay pulseless and stripped. Methinks that the city of Ai was not so emptied of its inhabitants when they went to pursue Joshua as perdition was emptied of devils when they started for the pursuit of Christ, and He fell back and back, down lower, down lower, chasm below chasm, pit below pit, until He seemed to strike the bottom of objurgation and scorn and torture. Oh, the long, loud, jubilant shout of hell at the defeat of the Lord God Almighty!

Lesson the second: The triumph of the wicked is short. Did you ever see an army in a panic? There is nothing so uncontrollable. If you had stood at Long Bridge, Washington, during the opening of our sad Civil War, you would know what it is to see an army run. And when those men of Ai looked out and saw those men of Joshua in a stampede they expected easy work. They would scatter them as the equinox the leaves. Oh, the gleeful and jubilant descent of the men of Ai upon the men of Joshua! But their exhilaration was brief, for the tide of battle turned, and these quondam conquerors left their miserable carcasses in the wilderness of Bethaven. So it always is. The triumph of the wicked is short. You make $20,000 at the gambling table. Do you expect to keep it? You will die in the poorhouse. You make a fortune by iniquitous traffic. Do you expect to keep it? Your money will scatter or it will stay long enough to curse your children after you are dead.

Call over the roll of bad men who prospered and see how short was their prosperity. For awhile, like the men of Ai, they went from conquest to conquest, but after awhile disaster rolled back upon them, and they were divided into three parts. Misfortune took their property, the grave took their body and the lost world took their soul. I am always interested in the building of palaces of dissipation. I like to have them built of the best granite and have the rooms made large and to have the pillars made very firm. God is going to conquer them, and they will be turned into asylums and art galleries and churches.

How long will it take your boys to get through your ill gotten gains? The wicked do not live out half their days. For awhile they swagger and strut and make a great splash in the newspapers, but after awhile it all dwindles down into a brief paragraph "Died suddenly, April 8, 1900, at thirty-five years of age. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral on Wednesday at 2 o'clock from his late residence on Madison square. Interment at Greenwood or Oak Hill." Some of them jumped off the docks. Some of them took prussic acid. Some of them fell under the snap of a Derringer pistol. Some of them spent their days in a lunatic asylum Where are William Tweed and his associates? Where are James Fisk, the libertine, and all the other misdemeanants? The wicked do not live out half their days. Disembogue, O world of darkness! Come up. Hildebrand and Henry II and Robespierre, and with blistering and blaspheming and ashen lips, hiss out, "The triumph of the wicked is short."

Lesson the third: How much may be accomplished by lying in ambush for opportunities. Are you hypercritical of Joshua's maneuver? Do you say that it was cheating for him to take that city by ambuscade? Was it wrong for Washington to kindle campfires on Jersey heights, giving the impression to the opposing force that a great army was encamped there when there was none at all? I answer, if the war was right, then Joshua was right in his stratagem. He violated no flag of truce. He broke no treaty, but by a lawful ambuscane captured the city of Ai.

Oh, that we all knew how to lie in ambush for opportunities to serve God! The best of our opportunities do not lie on the surface, but are secreted. By tact, by stratagen, by Christian ambuscade, you may take almost any castle of sin for Christ. Come up toward men with a regular besiegement of argument, and you will be defeated, but just wait until the door of their hearts is set ajar, or they are off their guard, or their severe caution is away from home, and then drop in on them from a Christian ambuscade.

There has been many a man up to his chin in scientific portfolios which proved there was no Christ and no divine revelation, his pen a scimeter flung into the heart of theological opponents, who nevertheless has been discomfited and captured for God by some little three-year-old child who has got up and put her snowy arms around his sinewy neck and asked some simple question about God.

Oh, make a flank movement! Steal a march on the devil! Cheat that man into heaven! A $5 treatise that will stand all the laws of homiletics may fail to do that which a penny tract of Christian entreaty may accomplish.

Oh, for more Christians in ambuscade—not lying in idleness, but waiting for a quick spring, waiting until just the right time comes! Do not talk to a man about the vanity of this world on the day when he has bought something at "12" and is going to sell it at "15." But talk to him about the vanity of the world on the day when he has bought something at "15" and is compelled to sell it at "12."

Do not rub a man's disposition the wrong way; do not take the imperative mood when the subjunctive mood will do just as well; do not talk in perfervid style to a phlegmatic nor try to tickle a torrid temperament with an icicle. You can take any man for Christ if you know how to get at him. Do not send word to him that tomorrow at 10 o'clock you propose to open your batteries upon him, but come on him by a skillful, persevering, God directed ambuscade.

Lesson the fourth: The importance of taking good aim. There is Joshua, but how are those people im ambush up yonder to know when they are to drop on the city, and how are these men around Joshua to know when they are to stop their flight and advance? There must be some signal—a signal to stop the one division and to start the other. Joshua, with a spear on which were ordinarily hung the colors of battle, points toward the city. He stands in such a conspicuous position, and there is so much of the morning light dripping from the spear tip, that all around the horizon they see it. It was as much as to say: "There is the city. Take it!"

God knows and we know that a great deal of Christian attack amounts to nothing simply because we do not take good aim. Nobody knows and we do not know ourselves which point we want to take when we ought to make up our minds what God will have us to do and point our spear in that direction and then hurl our body, mind, soul, time, eternity at that one target.

American Exhibitors in Paris.

Seven thousand American firms will make exhibits at the Paris Exposition.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR APRIL 15.

Subject: The Daughter of Jairus Raised, Mark v., 22-24; 35-43—Golden Text: Mark v., 36—Memory Verses, 39-42—Commentary on the Day's Lesson.

22. "One of the rules of the synagogue." There were two principal officers of the synagogue. "Fell at His feet." This was giving Jesus great honor.

23. "Besought Him greatly." Jairus must have been well acquainted with Jesus. It was with the consent and invitation of this ruler that Jesus had frequently spoken in the synagogue. Jairus was in earnest now; 1. The case was an important one. 2. He knew that he could obtain help from no one else. Christ was his only hope. It is well for us to be thus shut in with God; such experiences bring us to our knees in deep humility. "My little daughter." An only daughter twelve years of age. "At the point of death." Why had he waited so long? Why do we wait so long before going to Christ? "Lay thy hands on her." Christ could heal either with or without being in personal contact with the disease, but ordinarily He touched those whom He healed. This is still the divine arrangement. Is any sick among you? there is ample provision made. Jas. 5:14, 15. "She shall live." Jairus had faith. He had seen Jesus perform miracles many times, and he believed in His ability to heal.

24. "Jesus went with him." Jesus is always ready to go to the assistance of those who are suffering. "Much people." Great opposition had lately been stirred up in Capernaum by the ecclesiastical authorities, and the people had come together to see what He would do. There was general excitement.

35. "While He yet spake." After Jesus had started to go with the ruler a woman, who for twelve years had been seriously ill, came in the crowd behind Him and touched His garment. Jesus turned and spoke to her and healed her. While He yet spake to this woman the messenger came from the ruler's house. "Thy daughter is dead." The servant who brought this news had no idea of Christ's ability to raise from the dead. If Christ had been as other physicians it would then have been too late. But as in the case of Lazarus, so now, Jesus did not appear to hasten. God alone understands His own purposes.

36. "Heard the word." The news was not carried to Jesus directly, but He heard it. "Be not afraid." Fear would destroy His faith. This is a severe test; from a human standpoint the case is hopeless. Jairus might have been in doubt about asking Jesus to go farther. "Only believe." God sometimes deprives us of all other sources of help, and thus draws us to Himself. Faith had to be called out, tried, purified, and so perfected. The thing sought was, humanly speaking, unattainable, and the means employed seemingly powerless, and yet the results were obtained through the power of Christ, and by the peculiar discipline to which faith was subjected.

37. "Save Peter, and James, and John." A competent number to be witnesses of the miracle, but not so many that His taking them might look like vainglory. "The brother of James." John is thus described because when Mark wrote this gospel, soon after our Lord's ascension, the memory of James, lately beheaded, was so fresh, that his name was more known than that of John himself.

38. "Seeth the tumult." They were already making preparations for a great funeral. "That wept and wailed greatly." Both real and hired mourners, wailing women and musicians. It is a custom still prevailing in the East to hire wailing women. Unless the body was embalmed the burial would take place almost immediately. In Jerusalem to-day burial is not generally delayed more than three or four hours.

39. "Why make ye this ado, and weep." Christianity moderates our grief, and shows us a Father's hand holding the rod. This must have been very distressing to Jesus. The apostle tells us to sorrow not as those which have no hope. 1 Thess 4:13. Pompous funeral ceremonies are ridiculous in themselves and entirely opposed to the spirit and simplicity of the religion of Christ. "Not dead, but sleepeth." She is not dead so as to continue under the power of death, but shall be raised from it as a person from natural sleep. There are two views taken of this case. The human view is, The child is dead; the divine view is, The child is asleep. Sleep is the image of death.

40. "Laughed him to scorn." Evidently those around Jairus shared not his faith, but all the greater was the faith of Jairus. "Had put them all out." Those who scorned the Lord and His benefits were not deemed worthy to witness His miracles. "The father and the mother." It was entirely proper that the parents of the child should be present, and then He desired to comfort them and strengthen their faith. "Entereth in where the damsel was lying." Jesus could have raised her without being present, but if we assist in bringing souls dead in sin to life we will have to go where they are. Francis Murphy said to the ministers of a certain large city, "The reason why you gentlemen fail to reach people is because you do not go where they are. It is not enough, when you see the drunkard in the ditch, to draw your broadcloth around you and say 'poor fellow;' you must take off your coat and get right down where he is and help him up. You will have to touch people in order to save them."

41. "Talitha-cumi." Damsel, arise. This was a common term of endearment used by loving mothers to wake their children. The words seem to tell us that in the glad waking, on the resurrection morning, there will be nothing startling, or unnatural, but "the old familiar love which has blessed us here will greet us there."

42. "With a great astonishment." They knew it was supernatural. There is nothing to show, however, that it was the means of causing saving faith to spring up in any heart. If people will not be led to a holy life through God's word and the preaching of gospel truth, neither would they be persuaded "though one rose from the dead."

43. "That no man should know it." The reasons for this were, 1. That He might prevent a great concourse of people. 2. It would further enrage the scribes and Pharisees. 3. Christ's miracles were intended to aid, not to supersede faith. 4. He desired to make disciples, and direct the people to His teaching. 5. It might excite their carnal and selfish expectations. It was not His miracles but Himself that they needed. "Given her to eat." She was raised not only to life but to health. Although raised by divine power yet life was to be maintained by the ordinary means. It is tempting God to resort to supernatural means when the ordinary means can be used.

TEACHINGS.—If we desire to receive from God we must, 1. Come to Him. 2. Humble ourselves before Him. 3. Be in earnest. 4. Ask in faith.

Fox Skin's Record Price.

A Siberian fox skin, 48x8 inches, sold for $2900 in London, and when dressed it will cost its wearer $5500.

TERRIFIC TEXAS FLOODS.

The Johnstown Disaster Practically Repeated at Austin.

LIFE AND PROPERTY DESTROYED.

Breaking of the Great Dam at Austin Leaves the City Without Water or Light—Great Havoc in the State—Vast Sections Under Water and Heavy Damage Done, But Only a Few Lives Lost

AUSTIN, Texas (Special).—The great dam across the Colorado River, near this city, which was constructed seven years ago at a cost of an even million dollars, has been swept away by an unprecedented flood in that river. The break caused an instant rise of fully fifty feet in the river below the dam. This torrent of water swept down upon the broad valley below with all its force, leaving death and destruction in its wake The great volume of water which came down the river undermined the power house at the dam and it fell into the river, carrying with it $300,000 worth of machinery. The loss of life is estimated at twenty. The total loss in property is placed at $3,000,000.

The power house of the municipal water electric light, and power plant, situated immediately below the dam, was flooded instantly and eight persons, men and boys, were caught in the power room, and all except one were drowned like rats in a trap. Those who were drowned in the power room were John Baiz, Walter Blossom, Frank Pinget, Thomas Kirkpatrick, and "Old Dan," colored, all employes, and three boys who were watching the flood from the power house windows. A family of six negroes living in the valley south of the city are known to have been drowned.

The situation in the city is most serious. The wreckage of the plant means that it will take several week to obtain even a temporary water and light system, if it can be made possible even then. In the meantime the city will be in a bad sanitary condition. All the hotels, private residences, stores and the like are without water, and there is no fire protection,

It is below Austin for a distance of 200 miles that the greatest havoc has been wrought by the Colorado River flood. Reports received here show that the wall of water came down upon the homes of hundreds of families without warning. Almost every wagon road bridge across the river between here and Columbus, a distance of probably 150 miles by the course of the river, was destroyed.

This accumulation of drift added to the destructive force of the flood, and few residences and other buildings that were in its path are standing. Many of the bridges were erected after the destructive floods of last year, and the losses to the several counties from this source alone will be very heavy.

Reports from the neighboring country are to the effect that everything is under water. In Williamson County, north of here, railroad bridges and trackage have been laid waste and all trains have stopped running. Hundreds of head of cattle have been drowned and miles of fencing torn down and washed away. In Bastrop County and in the southern portion of this county similar conditions prevail, everything being under water, and much loss of property is reported.

As a rule the Texas rivers are now falling and there is not much danger of a general flood. The crops have been damaged over a wide area, but there is still time for for farmers to replant if they can get the seed. The railroads have lost many small bridges, and it will be a few days before traffic resumes its normal condition.

Smithville reports tremendous rains have fallen throughout that section. It is estimated that 5000 acres of growing crops in the bottom lands within five miles of town have been inundated by from ten to fifteen feet. The loss will reach $50,000. The stock has been drowned. Other sections report the entire destruction of all crops.

$61,219,916 FOR THE NAVY.

The Largest Appropriation Bill Ever Reported to the House.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The Naval Appropriation bill was reported to the House by acting Chairman Foss of the Naval Committee. The amount carried by the bill is $61,219,916, the largest ever reported to the House from the Naval Committee.

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MOB BLOWS UP TOLL BRIDGES.

Two Toll Houses Also Destroyed by 150 Men Near Logansport, Ind.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (Special).—A mob of 150 men burned two toll houses and blew up two bridges on the Logansport and Burlington pike, near the former city. One of the toll houses was occupied and the family was moved out by the mob before the torch was applied.

The bridges that were wrecked with dynamite were stone and iron structures and were built recently at a heavy cost to the turnpike company. The Logansport and Burlington pike is the only toll road in the county and the people were indignant over the toll charges and the refusal of the company to sell to the county so that the road might be free.

American Scout's Escape.

The famous American scout, F. R. Burnham, who was captured by the Boers at Thaba Nchu, Orange Free State, has succeeded in escaping, and is now at Bloemfontein.

Household Hints.

If there is one thing on which the housewife prides herself, it is that of having her laundering done nicely, so that the wearing apparel may be the admiration of all. The washing is a small matter, anyone almost can do that, but to have the linens present that flexible and glossy appearance after being ironed requires a fine quality of starch.

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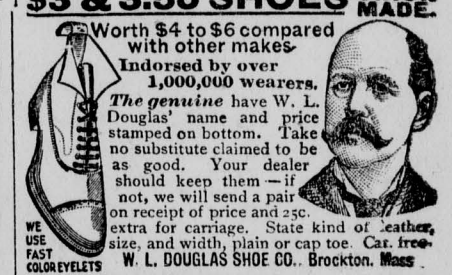

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TROUGH CREEK.

The township auditors finished settling with the supervisors last Saturday.

M. R. Brenneman and wife visited friends in the valley Saturday and Sunday.

Oscar Wright having hired with Mr. Shoemaker, of Oneida township, enters on duty this week.

Mrs. Jeff Wright, who was at the hospital for treatment and was getting along nicely since her return, had a severe spell last week.

H. G., H. E. and Ira are the three Swopes from this valley attending school at Millersville the present term. Leslie Smith and sister, Daisy, are at Juniata College.

Samuel Steel, Jr., moved to the Crotsley farm last week. We welcome him and family to our end of the valley and hope their sojourn may prove pleasant and profitable.

George Bum is going to clerk for Thompson Boring if he can content himself so far from home, which we hope he will do. George is a good boy and likes to work much better than many boys of his age.

Mrs. Abner Greenland intends making her home with her daughter, Lizzie Masemore. She is certainly going into a nice home as Lizzie is a most estimable little woman and her husband a gentleman in the full sense of the term.

Aunt Katy Foust, of Henderson township, visited her aged and feeble brother, Simeon Wright, last week. These two people are wonderfully attached to each other, very much on account of having been taken into the M. E. church together over sixty years ago.

S. L. Glasgow moves this week to Blair county. We are sorry for it as he is one of the best educators of the county, being able to obtain a permanent certificate without ever going beyond the bounds of Trough Creek for his education, a proficiency rarely attained these days. Our valley owes a lasting debt of gratitude from an educational standpoint to the Glasgows. My personal reason for this assertion is that B. F. Glasgow was the only teacher that I had the advantage of going to after I was old enough to know the good of schooling that was worthy the name of a teacher and the best one that I ever sent my children to, and S. L. and his two sisters I believe have proven themselves fully up to their father.

COLE'S SUMMIT.

Garden making is now on the program for the busy housewife.

Prepare to feast on eggs the coming Sunday—Easter of 1900.

I. N. Elias, of Pittsburg, is visiting his parents for a few days.

The genial face of Agent H. F. Hess is again seen at the station.

Daniel Locke made a business trip to Broad Top City Saturday evening last.

T. C. Long's family intends moving to Trough Creek, near Calvin, on Tuesday next.

J. W. Cutshall greets his friends with a smile. Why? A young son has come to stay in his home.

Andrew Elias and Howard Chilcote, two of our promising young men, are attending Juniata College.

Daniel Stake, watchman of lower tunnel, who has been off duty for the past month, is again at his post.

Ellis Smyers, of Elm Grove, Clay township, a bright little boy of about eight years, visited friends at Coles on Sabbath last.

Mrs. Thomas Smith was called to Altoona on Saturday last on account of the serious illness of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Luther Smith, of that city. We hope she may recover.

The U. B. Sabbath school at Fairview was reorganized on April first with the following officers: Superintendent, G. W. Keith; assistant superintendent, G. W. Cutshall; secretary, Thomas Rolls; assistant secretary, Miss Lillie Wagoner; treasurer, Samuel Long; librarians, Della Chilcote and Ada Brumbaugh.

We are very sorry to note the departure of our friend, Mr. Walter Hillard, from our midst, who left on Thursday last for his home in Hazelhurst, McKean county. Walter has been attending school here during the winter term, stopping at the La Palace hotel where by his genial manner and kind deportment endeared himself not only to the family but also to a large circle of friends. He is a young man who is highly complimented by all who are intimately acquainted with him. He was very studious and successfully passed the examination as did his friend, Ambery Hildebrandt, who accompanied him to Hazelhurst. These two ambitious young men are bound to make their mark in the world. While we miss them our best wishes go with them through the struggles of life.

M. B. Smith, Butternut, Mich., says, "DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the very best pills I ever used for costiveness, liver and bowel troubles. A. B. Gillam, J. L. Houck.

AUDITORS' REPORT

of the financial condition of the Borough of Mapleton for the year ending March, 1900.

Account of John A. Toomey, collector of Borough Duplicate.

DR.

To amount of Duplicate	$469 26
" 5 per cent. on $100.45	5 02

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By exonerations	$ 2 55	
" 5 per cent. off 302.61 for prompt payment	15 13	
" 3 per cent. for collecting $302.61	9 08	
" 5 per cent. for collecting $164.10	8 20	
" Treasurer's receipts	439 32	
	$474 28	$474 28

Account of A. W. Swope, treasurer.

DR.

To amount from 1898-99	10 58	
" " from Collector	439 32	
" " " Auditor General	3 67	
CR.		
By vouchers		299 34
" 2 per cent. as treasurer of $299.34		5 99
Balance Dr.		148 24
	$453 57	$453 57

Balance in Treasury $148 24

STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Outstanding orders	$ 45.00	
	318.60	
		363 60

ASSETS.

Cash in Treasury	148 24
Liabilities in excess of assets	215 36

We, the undersigned auditors of the Borough of Mapleton, being duly sworn, certify that we have examined the accounts of the collector and treasurer of the Borough and the above is a true and correct copy thereof to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Witness our hands and seals this 26th day March, A. D., 1900.

L. L. PARKER,
J. L. HETRICK,
A. B. BAKER,
Auditors.

MERCANTILE APPRAISER'S LIST.

The Venders of Foreign and Domestic Merchandise, etc., in Huntingdon County, will take notice that they are Appraised and Designated by the undersigned Appraiser of Mercantile and other License Tax for the year 1900, *as follows, to wit:*

Alexandria Boro.

Hatfield & Co, general merchandise
Kean, John B, general merchandise
Piper, P H, grocery
Phillips & Aultman, coal yard
Walker, W S, tinware
Walker, E P, general merchandise
Walker, Geo H, tinware

Barree Twp.

Crownover, R A, Manor Hill, general mdse
Crownover, H S, Saulsburg, general mdse
Everts, E M, Masseysburg, general mdse
Gearhart, Levi, Manor Hill, general mdse
McMahon, B F, Charter Oak, general mdse

Broad Top City Boro.

Cutshall, Silas, general merchandise
Diggins, L L, milliner
Edwards, J R, general merchandise
Houck, S H & A M, general merchandise
Hoffman, Samuel T, grocery
Shapiro Bros, general merchandise
Wilkins, J B, grocery

Brady Twp.

Etnier, James S, Mill Creek, general mdse
Foust & Co, " " general mdse
Houck, James W, Airy Dale, general mdse
Stonebraker, W H, Mill Creek, general mdse

Carbon Twp.

Blight, W H, Robertsdale, general mdse
Morgan, Fannie, Robertsdale, grocery
McClain, Jessie O, Robertsdale, general mdse

Cassville Boro.

Corbin, H M, boots and shoes
Green, George & Sons, implements
Green, Austin, leather goods
Heaton, S A, general merchandise
Heaton, J O, general merchandise
Heaton, J W, tinware
Houck, J L, general merchandise
McClain, M A, flour
Snyder, William, boots and shoes

Cass Twp.

Stever, Michael, Latta Grove, general mdse

Coalmont Boro.

Hess, Jacob, general merchandise
Hickes, A George, general merchandise

Dudley Boro.

Brown, William, general merchandise
Bolinger, William, tobacco and cigars
Dorsey, William, grocery
Gould Bros, confectionery
Maher, William, confectionery
Reed, Chester D, general merchandise
Sweet, W H, general merchandise
Wilkins, Barton, cigars

Dublin Twp.

Appleby, Geo S, Decorum, general mdse
Harper & Peterson, Neelyton, general mdse
Johnson, William, Mentzer, grocery
Snyder, Joseph, Shade Gap, grocery

Franklin Twp.

Archey, F W, Penna. Furnace, coal & implements
Bathurst, F W, Graysville, tobacco and cigars
Gill, I P, Spruce Creek, grocery
Keatly, Annie, Franklinville, grocery
Porter, W A, Franklinville, general mdse
Reed, John, Graysville, implements

Henderson Twp.

Evans, A Y, Union Church, grocery
Long, Washington, Huntingdon, grocery

Hopewell Twp.

Brumbaugh, Levi, Foxton, coal
Brumbaugh, R N, Foxton, implements
Dorman, John, Shy Beaver, general mdse
Foreman, Maggie, Shy Beaver, general mdse
Hess, John H, Shy Beaver, general mdse

Huntingdon Boro., First Ward.

Denny, Alexander, general merchandise
Dysard, Samuel, grocery
Brown, I, R, cigars
Bare, John S, lumber
Brunswick Hotel, cigars
Snyder, John W, coal yard
Snyder, John and Peter, apples
Simpson, John G, implements
Wiley, J K, general merchandise

Huntingdon Boro., Second Ward.

Africa Bros., hardware
Black & Co, drugs
Black, T W, silverware
Bloom, E, shoes
Brown, Philip & Sons, furniture and carpet
Blair, J C Co, stationery
Black, Mrs Kate, milliner
Barrick, Mord, grocery
Bagshaw, Mary J, milliner
Benkert, L & Sons, meats
Chaney, S B & Co, hardware
Corbin, M F, grocery
Carmon, Jos R, general merchandise
Crownover, H, grocery
Carmon, Thomas, tinware
Corbin, George, novelties
Dick, J K, paper and paints
Doyle, Charley, restaurant
Fink, B F, hardware
Fisher, George W, restaurant
Grimison, William, confectionery
Grissinger, C A agent, Singer Machine Co
Hazlett, W W, clothing
Hazlett, J C, shoes
Isenberg, B F Milling Co, coal yard
Isenberg, J G, clothing
Leister & Sons, shoes
Leister, H L, tobacco and cigars
Leister, H W, drugs
Leister Bros, cigars
Lightner, William, restaurant
Miller Bros, tobacco and cigars
Miller, W G, tobacco and cigars
Miller, R G, grocery
Mayer, Hugo, clothing
Marlin, W E, cigars
Miller, Joe, gents supplies
Meredith, Miss Ada, milliner
McElwain, A P, grocery
Norris, Luden, harness supplies
Port, J B, confectionery
Port, G Chal, meats
Reed, William & Sons, dry goods
Reed, John & Sons, drugs
Reynolds, John, stoves and tinware
Rohm, Harry, queensware
Starr, John M, grocery
Sanderson, G W, general mdse
Stewart, O L, clothing
Stewart & Son, jewelers
Summers, M L, grocery
Smith, S S, druggist
Simonson, E M, milliner
Snyder, F L, grocery
Spooneybarger & Coolidge, bicycles
Steel, H E, druggist
Shaw, C E, confectionery
Swivel, J E, cigars
Shaffer Bros, news stand
Union News Co, news stand
Vuille, Charles, photograph supplies
Williams, G S, shoes
Westbrook, J H & Son, shoes
Westbrook, T A, grocery
Wallace Bros, cigars
Wilson, W R, restaurant
White, John jr, coal
Yocum, G W, novelties
Zerby, L W, jeweler
Zeigler Bros, cigars

Huntingdon Boro., Third Ward.

Acme Grocery Co, grocery
Brumbaugh, O M, general mdse
Brenneman, O C, restaurant
Bayer, Margaret, milliner
Bice, Ed, paper and paints
Blank, Isaac, dry goods
Beaty, J B, music supplies
Craig, H P, meats
Foust, John, coal yard
Free, John, tobacco and cigars
Gernert, M J, harness supplies
Grove, Mary A, grocery
Hawn, Samuel, grocery
Johnston, J H, grocery
Kuhn, Adam, novelties
McCarthy, C R & W B, furniture and carpet
Miller, C H, hardware
Mullin, A S, general mdse
Smith, A H, grocery
Opera House Drug Store, drugs
Quinter, David, coal yard
Port & Dales, meats
States, J C & Son, grocery
Stelker & Leffard, implements
Swartz, Max, scrap
Westbrook, J L, confectionery
Weimer, John, grocery

Huntingdon Boro., Fourth Ward.

Davis, Jonathan, grocery
Coffman, David, "
Clement, S T, "
Ergler, F, "
Gorden, C C, "
Hall, Harry, general mdse
Hicks & Kennedy, meats
Juniata Planing Mill Co, lumber
Milliken, W R, coal yard
Miller, Simon, grocery
Magsam, S C, "
Nophsker, J S, general mdse
Rohland, W M, grocery
Walton, T B, general mdse
Wright, J O, general mdse

Jackson Twp.

Bigelow, S E, McAlevy's Fort, milliner
Cummins, Wm, " " general mdse
Fleming, Asbury, Ennisville, general mdse
Galloway, J D, McAlevy's Fort, grocery
Harper, W H, " " general mdse
Jacobs, J M, " " general mdse
Little, L A, " " general mdse
Logan & Co. Greenwood Furnace, general mdse
Wilson, Amy, McAlevy's Fort, milliner

Lincoln Twp.

Hess, John H, Entriken, general mdse
Shultz & Co, " general mdse

Marklesburg Boro.

Brumbaugh & Co Ltd, James Creek, gen mdse
Garner, A B, " " grocery
Griffith, David A, " " gen mdse
Spang, W E, " " grocery

Mapleton Boro.

Baker, Lloyd, cigars
Clark, C H, general merchandise
Gillam, A B, " "
Gillam, J G, " "
Neice, M L, feed
O'Connor, B & Sons, general merchandise
Spangler, W H, " "
Swoope, H H, coal yard
Wright, Alice, confectionery

Miller Twp.

Blair, James, Cornpropst's Mills, gen mdse

Morris Twp.

Henderson, G E, Morrell, general merchandise
Waite, T C, Water Street, " "

Mount Union Boro.

Appleby, T A, general merchandise
Adams, T H, " "
Bears, Ed, cigars
Both, Frank, harness supplies
Davis Bros, drugs
Davis, John, grocery
Douglass, B F, granite and marble
Ewing, W G, general merchandise
Fields, C, meats
Hunter, Mrs W A, milliner
Hunter, W A, drugs
Jamison, G A, general merchandise
Harrison, H W, stoves and tinware
Horting, F O, jeweler
Lukens, George, grocery
Longacre, Robert, general merchandise
Maxwell, H W, hardware
Nevill, James, cigars
Pyles, Thomas, grocery
Rinker & Co, meats
Roberts, C B, cigars
Rumel, David, feed store
Rhodes, E M, drugs
Simons, A, furniture
Smelker, H S, general merchandise
Welsh, A S, hardware
Wharton, B C, general merchandise
Worth, William, cigars
Postlethwaite, F F, coal
Wharton, D S, jeweler
Weams, Mrs R, grocery

Oneida Twp.

Foster, J H, Donation, general merchandise
Hearn, A B, Gorsuch, grocery
McElwain, G L, " general merchandise

Orbisonia Boro.

Ashman, J K, cigars
Brodbeck, Jacob, general mdse
Bartle, John, hardware
Bayles, D M, milliner
Brant, Mollie, "
Burns, Mary R, "
Cummins, F F, general merchandise
Cloyd, T O, grocery
Caddy, Wm, feed
Enyeart, D R P, general merchandise
Heck, E O, gen merchandise
Hicks, G W, general mdse
Helzel, S F, harness supplies
Houck & Chilcoat, furniture
James, J M C, drugs
Kelley, T M, stationery
McClain, John, grocery
Ott, Wesley, grocery
Ott, Tillie M, milliner
Rowe, J J, meats
Shapiro Bros, general mdse
Shaffner, H V, cigars
Weller, W A, grocery

Penn Twp.

Auman, Jacob, Aitch, grocery
Davis, H H, Grafton, gen mdse
Grove, G C, " " "
Hess, Frank, Aitch, grocery
Keith, Jeremiah, Aitch, gen mdse
Weaver Bros, " " "

Porter Twp.

McElroy, R, Barree Forge, grocery

Petersburg Boro.

Bruner, O F, gen mdse
Croyle, R S, cigars
Fagley, G W, meats
Ginsler, Ross, meats
Horning, G W, coal yard
Hoffman & Thompson, gen mdse
Laird, E M, grocery
Manbecker, J M, grocery
McDanials, N N, gen mdse
Swope, E M, hardware
Stewart, F L, drugs
Shipton, Mary P, Ribot, gen mdse
Stryker, S L, Petersburg, " "
Wilson, A M, " milliner

Rockhill Boro.

Chilcoat, B F, general merchandise
Puckey & Co, coal and lumber

Spruce Creek Twp.

Enyeart, E E, grocery
Graffius, Clara, gen mdse
Law, John H, " "
Roup, B F, meats
Stewart, Warren, Morrell, grocery
Thompson, S C, Spruce Creek, gen mdse
Weyer, John H, " " coal
Lichtenstein, Joe, clothing

Shirleysburg Boro.

Brewster, W H, general merchandise
Barton, B C, coal
Harris, Ella M, grocery
Lightner & Bowser, gen mdse
Myers, L J, implements
Miller, W S, tinware
Miller, G W, tobacco and cigars
Riffle, John, groccry

Shirley Twp.

Miller, A J, Cora, general merchandise
Zeigler, John, Aughwick Mills, gen mdse

Shade Gap Boro.

Montgomery, S C, hardware
Miller, S G, implements
Royer & Taylor, gen mdse
Swan Bros, " "
Scott, Frank, furniture
Zeigler, H C, hardware

Saltillo Boro.

Crum, C B, general merchandise
Henderson, Minnie, milliner
Heeter, G A, gen mdse
Kimmell, S W & son, gen mdse
Kapp, Collins, cigars
McClain, D E, hardware
Shope, D F, gen mdse
Weaver, H T, gen mdse

Springfield Twp.

Brewster, J C, Meadow Gap, gen mdse
Curffman, Geo, " " grocery
Lock, Harrison, Selea, gen mdse
Locke, H R, Maddensville, gen mdse
Ramsey, Elmer, " " "

Smithfield Twp.

Etnier, A, Huntingdon, grocery

Three Springs Boro.

Bence, B T, furniture
Cohick, John, coal
Cutshall, Allen, gen mdse
Cutshall, P B, " "
Park, Clay, implements
Stevens Bros, hardware
Wilson, H E, gen mdse

Tod Twp.

Baker, L B, Todd, gen mdse
Broad, Geo, Trough Creek, gen mdse
Griffith, Amos, Eagle Foundry, grocery

Tell Twp.

Blair, J M, Blair's Mills, general merchandise
Book, H L, Shade Valley, " "
Goshorn, T B, McNeal, " "
Kling, W B, Nossville, " "
Johns J A, Blair's Mills, " "
Milliken W A, " " cigars
Parsons W M C,

Union Twp.

Shaffer & Hoover, Calvin, gen mdse
Wright W P, " " "
Wright W L, Colfax, tobacco and cigars
Wright W E, " implements

Warriorsmark Twp.

Bistline, William, hardware
Chromister, M W, general merchandise
Cox, George B, grocery
Hagerty, Henry, implements
Lever, G B, general merchandise
Minnick, W H, Mgr, oils
Mattern, F K, general merchandise
Nearhoff, B F, " "
Siegel, William, Birmingham, grocery
Wilson, William, " "

Walker Twp.

Bupp, Solomon, McConnellstown, implements
Heffner, Baker, " meats
Heffner, J B, " coal
Householder, J F N, " tobacco & cigars
Lang, C W, " meats
Lang, W & Sons, " coal & implements
Lloyd, J W, " general mdse
Peightal, S A, " grocery
Vanorman, Lemuel, " general mdse

West Twp.

Croyle, S E, Neff's Mills, general mdse
Dittsworth, D R, " " "
Eberly, John & Son, Cottage, " "
Henry, J T, " " "

Valley Point

Harris, James A, general merchandise
Hartman, William, " "

WHOLESALE.

Atlantic Refining Co, Huntingdon, oils
Bayer & Beaver, " grocery
Grimison Bros, " tobacco & cigars
Miller, C H, " hardware

POOL AND BILLIARDS.

McCormick, J N, Huntingdon, 3 tables
Havice, Ed, Mt. Union, 2 tables

BROKERS.

Bruner & Deal, Huntingdon.

TAKE NOTICE, all who are concerned in this appraisement, that an appeal will be held at the Court House in Huntingdon, on the 27th day of April, A. D., 1900, when and where you may appeal from said rating if you think proper.

H. S. LANG,
Mercantile Appraiser.

Huntingdon, Pa., April 4, 1900.

REGISTER'S NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the following named persons have settled their accounts in the Register's office at Huntingdon, and that the said accounts will be confirmed nisi May 10, 1900, and absolutely May 16, 1900.

1 STAPLETON. First and final account of A. C. Greenland and David Stapleton, administrators of Abner Stapleton, late of Cass township, deceased.

2 MASON. First and final account of Rev. T. H. Colhouer, executor of the estate of Rev. James M. Mason, late of the Borough of Cassville, deceased.

3 BRIGGS. First and final account of S. B. Gifford, administrator of J. D. Briggs, late of Tell township, deceased.

4 DUFFEY. Account of E. O. Rogers, trustee to sell the real estate of Dyson F. Duffey, deceased under proceedings in partition.

5 STONE. First and final account of H. H. Davis, trustee to sell the real estate of Jacob W. Stone, deceased.

6 WALLS. First and final account of E. O. Heck, administrator of Elizabeth Walls, late of the Borough of Orbisonia, deceased, with distribution account attached.

7 PEDIN. First and final account of N. W. Greenland, administrator of Alexander Pedin, deceased.

8 SCHMITTLE. First and final account of Henry Schmittle, administrator of Catharine Schmittle, late of Tell township, deceased.

9 HENDERSON. First and final account account of Harry W. Henderson, administrator of J. E. Henderson, late of Spruce Creek township, deceased.

10 EBY. First account of Samuel P. Eby, administrator of W. E. Eby, late of Huntingdon borough, deceased, with distribution.

11 DONELSON. First and final account of Martin Donelson, administrator of Reuben Donelson, late of Lincoln township, deceased.

12 ROBLEY. Account of Elliott Robley, executor, and Martha Robley, executrix of the last will and testament of Elliott Robley, late of the borough of Mapleton, deceased.

13 HARRISON. First and final account of Joseph L. Bergantz, executor of Eliza Harrison, late of the borough of Huntingdon, deceased.

14 ROBB. First and final account of James Peightal, executor of Sarah Robb, late of Walker township, deceased.

15 VANCE. First and final account of Thomas Mitchell, executor of Jane B. Vance, late of Jackson township, deceased.

16 HENRY. First and partial account of K. A. Lovell, executor of Samuel E. Henry, late of Huntingdon borough, deceased.

17 KEPHART. The second and final account of Dr. Rudolph Myers, executor of the last will of Jacob R. Kephart, late of Smithfield township, deceased.

18 BYERS. First and final account of John M. Byers, executor of the last will and testament of John Byers, late of Dublin township, deceased.

19 ANDERSON. Final account of Walter G. Africa, trustee of Alexander A. Anderson, under the will of John P. Anderson deceased.

20 THOMPSON. Account of Julia Thompson and Charles Thompson, administrators of W. R. Thompson, late of Jackson township, deceased, with distribution annexed.

21 ADAMS. First and final account of Mrs. R. H. Adams, administratrix of the estate of W. L. Adams, late of Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, deceased, embracing amount received from the sale of real estate, sold for the payment of debts, with an apportionment of the expenses to the several funds.

Register's office, April 10, 1900. } B. F. GODARD, Register.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested that the following inventories of the goods and chattels set apart to widows under the Act of the 14th day of April, 1851, have been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Orphans' Court of Huntingdon county, and will be confirmed ni si on May 10, 1900. If no exceptions be filed thereto the same will be confirmed absolutely Sept. 5, 1900.

1 MILLER. Inventory of the personal property of Dr. Jesse C. Miller, late of Penn township, deceased, as taken by his widow, Lizzie Miller.

2 WIBLE. Inventory of the personal property of James M. Wible, late of Springfield township, deceased, as taken by his widow, Martha Wible.

3 COCHRAN. Inventory of the personal property of John Cochran, late of Huntingdon, deceased, as taken by his widow, Rachel Cochran.

4 BRIGGS. Inventory of the real estate of Davidson Briggs, late of Tell township, deceased, as set aside to his widow, Elizabeth Briggs.

5 HENDERSON. Inventory of the personal property and real estate of Wm. C. Henderson and Annie M. Henderson, deceased, elected to be retained by and set aside to Mary, Robert and Elsie, minor children of said decedents, having Joseph R. Henderson as their guardian.

6 HORTON. Inventory of the personal property of Amon Horton, late of Tod township deceased, as taken by his widow, Sarah Horton.

7 BOYER. Inventory of the personal property of David Boyer, late of Shirleysburg, deceased, as taken by his widow, Susan Boyer.

Office of Clerk O. C., April 10, 1900. } B. F. GODARD, Clerk Orphans' Court.

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SCHEDULE IN EFFECT NOV. 19, 1899.

	P.M.	Night.	A.M	A.M.	A.M.	P.M*
New York....	8.00	12.15	.....	.....	9.30	1.00
Philadelphia.	11.20	4.30	7.00	8.50	12.25	4.35
Washington...	10.40	.....	.....	7.55	10.50	.....
Baltimore	11.55	4.55	.....	8.55	12.00	.....

	D'ly A.W	D'ly. A. M.	D'ly. A. M.	D'ly. A. M.	D'ly. P. M.	Dly P M.
Harrisburg.....	3.00	8.00	11.48	11.45	3.45	5.00
Rockville		8.12	11.59	.....	.....	5.13
Marysville.....	3.14	8.17	12.03	.....	.....	5.18
Duncannon.....	3.29	8.35	12.16	.....	4.10	5.34
Newport	3.52	9.05	12.37	.....	4.30	6.02
Millerstown.		9.15	12.45	.....	.....	6.11
Thompsontown		9.26	12.53	.....	.....	6.21
Port Royal.....	4.25	9.44	1.07	.....	4. 57	6.38
Mifflin	4.30	9.50	1.11	.....	5.02	6.43
Lewistown Jc.	4.52	10.13	1.30	1.10	5.22	7.07
McVeytown....	5.15	10.38	1,49	.....	.....	7.30
N. Hamilton...	5.33	11.00	2.06	.....	.....	7.50
Mount Union...	5.39	11.06	2.10	.....	6.03	7.56
Mapleton.	5.45	11.13	2.15	.....	.....	8.02
Huntingdon.	6.03	11.32	2.29	2.01	6.22	8.20
Petersburg	6 19	11.47	2.43	.....	.....	8.33
Birmingham ...	6.46	12.13	3.07	h234	16.54	8.56
Tyrone.	6.52	12.20	3.12	2.40	6.59	9.02
Bellwood	7.17	12.41	3.29	.....	7.18	9.20
Altoona.	7.40	1.00	3.45	3.10	7.35	9.35
Pittsburg	12.10	5.50	8.40	6.55	11.30	2.00
	P.M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P.M

Harrisburg 10.20, Rockville 10.31, Marysville 10.34, Duncannon 10.47, Newport 11.06, Millerstown 11.14, Mifflin 11.40, Lewistown Junction 11.58, p. m. Huntingdon 12.55, Tyrone 1.32, Altoona 2.00, Pittsburg 5.30 a. m.

"h" stops to take on passengers for Pittsburg and beyond.

	Week days A.M.	D'ly. A. M.	D'ly. A. M.	Dly P.M.	D'ly. P. M.	D'ly. P. M.
Pittsburg		2.50	8.00		12.45	4.50
Altoona.....	5.00	7.15	11.40	2.05	5.55	9.05
Bellwood.....	5.12	7.30	11.52	2.19	6.10	9.19
Tyrone	5.24	7.48	12.03	2.35	6.27	9.33
Birmingham .	5.28	7.53	g1207	2.40	6.32	
Petersburg ...	5.45	8.17		3.03	6.56	
Huntingdon....	5.57	8.30	12.35	3.17	7.10	10.12
Mapleton.	6.11	8.47		3.35	7.24	
Mt. Union.....	6.16	8.53	12.54	3.42	7.29	10.32
N. Hamilton ...	6.21	8.58		3.47	7.34	
McVeytown....	6.37	9.15	f1.14	4.08	7.51	
Lewiston Jc....	6.58	9.35	1.33	4.33	8.10	11.16
Mifflin.....	7.18	9.55	1.50	4.55	8.30	11.37
Port Royal.....	7.22	9.59		5.00	8.34	
Thompsontown	7.37	10.14		5.18	8.48	
Millerstown. ...	7.46	10.22		5.28	8.57	
Newport	7.55	10.32	2.24	5.39	9.05	
Duncannon.....	8.20	10.54	2.44	6.08	9.29	
Marysville	8.33	11.07	2.56	6.26	9.43	
Rockville.	8.38	11.12		6.32	9.48	
Harrisburg.....	8.50	11 25	3.10	6.45	10.00	1.00

Pittsburg 5[illegible] Altoona 9.07, Tyrone 6.27, Huntingdon 6.57, Harrisburg 9.10 A. M. daily.

	P.M.	P. M.	P. M.	P.M	P.M.	A.M.	A.M
Balti 11	55	11.55	*3.11	6 00	9.45	2.30	
Wahg't'n	1.00	1.00	*4.10	7.15	10.55	4 05	
Phila.....11.48		11.52	*3.00	6.23	10.20	4 25	4.25
New York 2.13		2.23	*5.53	9.30	3.53	7.13	7.13

Additional trains are run as under:—

Leave Pittsburg 8.30 P. M. daily, Altoona 12.15 A. M., Huntingdon 1.10 A. M.; arrive Harrisburg 3.40 A. M., Philadelphia 6.52 A. M.

Leave Pittsburg 7.30 A. M. daily, Altoona 11.05 A. M., Tyrone 11.30 A. M., Huntingdon 12.03 P. M., Lewistown Junction 1.02 p. m., arrive Harrisburg 2.40p.m., Philadelhia 5.47 p. m., New York, Desbrosses and Cortlandt Sts. 8.08; W. Twenty-third St. Station 8.20 p. m., Baltimore 6.00 p.m., Washington 7.15 p.m.

*Week-days only. "g" stops to let off passengers from Pittsburg and beyond, and to take on passengers for Harrisburg and beyond. "f" stops on signal only.

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For Milroy 7.55, 11.42 A. M. and 3.00 p. M. week days.

At Huntingdon—For Bedford and Cumberland 8.35 A. M. and 7.15 P. M. week days. Bedford only 8.00 A. M. Sundays.

At Tyrone—For Clearfield and Curwensville 8.20 A. M., 3.20 and 7.20 P. M. week days.

For Bellefonte and Lock Haven 8.10 A. M., 12.30 and 7.15 P. M. week days.

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Schedule in effect Sept. 7, 1898.

NORTH. Irreg., No.5.	NORTH. Mail, No.3	NORTH. Mail, No.1	STATIONS.	SOUTH. Mail, No. 2.	SOUTH. Mail, No. 4	SOUTH. Irreg., No. 6.
a.m.	P.M.	a.m		A. M	p. m.	a. m.
7 48	12 50	6 20	Robertsdale	11 39	6 39	7 04
8 00	1 02	6 32	Cook's	11 24	6 27	6 54
8 12	1 14	6 44	Cole's	11 09	6 15	6 34
8 40	1 42	7 12	Saltillo	10 39	5 30	6 01
8 48	1 50	7 20	Three Springs	10 30	5 21	5 54
9 00	2 03	7 32	*Pogue	10 15	5 07	5 42
9 15	2 18	7 46	Rockhill	9 53	4 44	5 30
	2 35	8 01	Shirley	9 38	4 29	
	2 44	8 10	*Augh. Mills	9 30	4 21	
	3 06	8 32	Mount Union	9 15	4 06	
a. m.	p. m.	a.m		a. m.	p. m.	a. m.

Irreg. No. 7, leaves Robertsdale 5.03 p. m., Cook's 5.13, Cole's 5.25, Saltillo 5.45, Three Springs 5.53, Pogue 6.05, arrive at Rockhill 6.20 p. m.

Irreg. No. 8, leaves Rockhill 2.20 p. m., Pogue 2.32, Three Springs 2.44, Saltillo 2.51, Cole's 3.31, Cook's 3.43, arrive at Robertsdale 3.43 p. m.

SHADE GAP BRANCH.

WEST. Irreg., No. 12	WEST. Mail, No. 10	STATIONS.	EAST Irreg., No. 9	EAST Mail, No. 11
p. m.	a. m.		a. m.	p. m.
5 50	7 25	L Rockhill A	6 30	4 55
5 43	7 18	*Blacklog	6 37	5 02
5 35	7 10	*Cedar Rock	6 45	5 10
5 31	7 06	*Locke Vall'y	6 49	5 14
5 25	7 00	*Shade Gap Stair	6 55	5 20
		A Goshorn L		

Mail trains Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 10 and 11 and irregular trains 9 and 12 run daily except Sunday. Irregular trains 5, 6, 7 and 8 do not run daily, but carry passengers when run.

* Flag stations. Beersville changed to Pogue.

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CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Topic For the Week Beginning April 15—Comment by Rev. S. H. Doyle.

TOPIC.—The bread of life.—John vi, 24-40. (Easter meeting.)

Easter speaks of life, and not only so, but of new life. This is true in both the natural and ecclesiastical worlds. Nature is at this season putting on forms of life, after a condition, typical of death. The season in the church calendar speaks of the new life of Christ, His resurrection after being three days in the tomb. How appropriate at such a time that our thoughts should rise to the possible new life of the soul in Christ—eternal life!

Bread feeds and supports the physical life. Christ gives life to the soul. Therefore, in a marvelous metaphor, Christ likens Himself to bread. In this chapter He speaks of Himself as bread in four different ways, which it will profit us to consider.

1. Christ, "the true bread," verse 32. "My Father giveth you the true bread." Christ is the true, the real, bread. There is no pretense or hollow mockery in the gift which God offers the soul as its support and life. This bread is able to accomplish that which is desired. Assimilated, it will convey both the consciousness and reality of eternal blessedness. God created the soul. He knows what will satisfy its desires and cravings, and therefore the spiritual sustenance that He offers is the true bread.

2. Christ, "the bread of God," verse 33. Christ, the bread, is the gift of God. "God * * * gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." God has made abundant provision in nature for the sustenance of the body. Is it not natural therefore that He would make ample provision for the soul? It would have been most unnatural if He had not done so. Being from God, this bread is free to all. It is offered "without money and without price."

3. Christ, "the bread of life," verse 35. "I am the bread of life." Christ is Himself the bread of life. In Him the cravings of the soul are satisfied and its eternal life made secure and certain. "The veritable life, eternal bread, which Christ as the steward of divine bounty gives, is Himself, His divine humanity." This bread is appropriated by faith. "He that cometh to Me shall never hunger, and he that believeth in Me shall never thirst." He who comes in faith to Christ shall never hunger and never thirst again. Bread satisfies for a time. Christ satisfies forever. He is the bread of eternal life.

4. Christ "the bread * * * from heaven," verse 50. "This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof and not die." Christ is the bread from heaven. From heaven alone can come the gift of eternal life. Christ as the bread from heaven was foreshadowed in the manna. Moses gave not this gift to the people, but God sent the manna from heaven to satisfy the hunger of His people. From the same source the soul hunger of the world is to be satisfied. Let us accept this bread of life from heaven that we, like Him, may rise from the dead and enjoy ever after, with Him, eternal life.

THE PRAYER MEETING.

The United society's special Easter programme should be used, or a special programme arranged, with appropriate Easter music as the principal feature.

BIBLE READINGS.

Ex. xvi, 11-15; Ps. lxxviii, 23-25; cxxxiii, 1-3; Isa. lv, 1-3; Math. iv, 1-4; Luke xi, 1-3; xii, 13-21; John i, 4; iv, 5-15; vi, 47-58; Rom. xii, 1, 2; II Tim. i, 8-19; iv, 7, 8; Heb. x, 5-10; Rev. xxii, 17.

Noontide.

The high stars, over at night,
Are under at noon,
And a young soul's vision of heaven
Passes how soon!

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Is gone—ah, where?
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TRAPS ON BOTH SIDES.

A Day's Incidents of the Guerilla Warfare in South Africa.

COL. VILLEBOIS MAREUIL KILLED.

General Roberts Reports the Capture of Five Companies of British Infantry Near Bloemfontein—They Were Guarding His Line of Communications—A Small Force of Boers Defeated.

LONDON (By Cable).—The game of counter-stroke has been played on both sides with success. General Methuen has encrapped a small body of Boers near Boshof, surrounding them and taking fifty-four prisoners, after a four hours' fight. General Roberts has reported that five companies of British troops have been captured by the Boers. The casualties were nearly equal on both sides apart from the prisoners.

GENERAL DE VILLEBOIS MAREUIL.
(The French soldier who commanded part of the Boer army.)

The Daily Telegraph has the following from Boshof:

"Lord Methuen's Mafeking relief force was concentrated here. The Boers are in force a few miles distant on the Vaal River. This town is practically deserted, all the men being with the commando under Commandant Duplessis, who controls the district.

"Lord Methuen commanded in a spirited little action nine miles to the southeast, where he surrounded seventy Boers on a kopje. Not a man escaped. We took fifty-four prisoners, sixty horses and a quantity of baggage. General de Villebois Mareuil was killed during the action."

The Boers have followed up their success at Korn Spruit by a similar stroke aimed against General Robert's line of communications. They surrounded three companies of Royal Irish Rifles and two of mounted infantry near Reddersburg, about forty-five miles south of Bloemfontein, and after a fight lasting twenty-four hours compelled the entire garrison to surrender. General Gatacre was ordered up from Springfontein and the Cameron Highlanders from Bloemfontein, but Reddersburg was reached too late for the rescue.

Cecil Rhodes has arrived in this city. He is well and cheerful, but is much more exclusive than he was on his previous trip home. Mr. Rhodes's reception was in marked contrast to his former ovations. The public did not show the slightest interest in him.

Colonel de Villebois Mareuil was Chief of Staff of General Joubert in Natal. Recently it was announced that he had been appointed to the command of the Boer Foreign Legion.

Fighting in Ashanti.

ACCRA, British Gold Coast, Africa (By Cable).—Tribal fighting has taken place in Ashanti. Governor and Lady Hodgson are at Coomassie. The telegraph wires have been cut, communication stopped, and dispatches destroyed. A body of Hussars is leaving here for Coomassie. The situation appears to be serious.

Free State Raad Adjourns.

PRETORIA, via Lorenzo Marques (By Cable).—The Free State Raad adjourned sine die, after passing the President's speech. Twenty-six members were present.

OSMAN PASHA DEAD.

The Hero of Plevna Succumbs to His Illness at Constantinople.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Turkey (By Cable).—Ghazi Osman Nubar Pasha, the hero of Plevna, died at the age of sixty-eight, after a temporary improvement in the illness from which he had been suffering for some time.

GHAZI OSMAN NUBAR PASHA.

Osman Pasha was the greatest of Turkish generals. The title Ghazi (The Victorious) conferred upon him had not been bestowed upon a Turkish subject for 300 years. His defense of Plevna was one of the greatest of military feats.

In three pitched battles he defeated the finest troops of the Russian armies, inflicting a loss of more than 30,000 men. Then it was resolved to starve out the Turkish army, and 120,000 Russians besieged 50,000 Turks. Forty-five days after the siege Osman made a desperate sortie, and after many hours of bayonet fighting the defenders of Plevna surrendered.

THE PHILIPPINE REVOLT.

General Otis's Summary of the Result of the Military Campaign.

The Insurgents Have Lost 2879 Men, 3051 Rifles and 165 Cannon Since January 1.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—General Otis has cabled to the War Department, probably with a view to correcting erroneous impressions that exist in this country as to the state of the insurrection in the Philippines, a summary of the result of the development of the campaign since the calendar year. His figures go far toward offsetting the belief that exists in some quarters that since the adoption of guerrilla methods of warfare the insurgents have inflicted substantial loss upon American arms in comparison with the punishment which they have themselves received.

A significant sentence in the report differentiates insurgents and ladrones, showing that Otis has taken cognizance of the fact that a considerable number of the hostiles are not soldiers under the rules of war, and may not expect the same treatment. The report, which is dated Manila, April 3, is as follows:

"Since January 1, 124 skirmishes in Philippines have been reported, mostly very slight affairs. Our casualties were 3 officers and 78 enlisted men killed, 13 officers and 151 men wounded. Insurgent and ladrone loss in killed and left on field, 1426; captured, mostly wounded, 1453; small arms secured, 3051; pieces of artillery, 165; large captures of other insurgent property. A number of important insurgent officers are surrendering, and the situation is gradually becoming more pacific."

In reply to a cable message received by the War Department recently from General Otis, asking for authority to enlist native Filipino musicians in the various regimental bands in the islands, Adjutant-General Corbin has sent the following:

"Secretary of War authorizes enlistment of competent native musicians in regimental bands."

John C. Bates has peacefully occupied Surigao, Cagayan, Iligan, and Misimis, in the island of Mindanao. A number of rifles and cannon were captured.

The presence of the gunboats Yorktown, Manila and Panay prevented resistance at Cagayan. Insurgent atrocities in Cagayan and Camarines Provinces continue. Spaniards, Chinamen, and natives have been murdered.

The work of the signal corps of the army in the Philippine Islands has been excellent. The corps has handled an average of 2500 dispatches each day since the American army landed at Manila.

KILLED CHILDREN AND HERSELF.

Owed the Grocer $1.06 and the Woman Could Get No More Credit.

ROCHESTER, N. Y. (Special).—Because she could get no more credit at a grocery store, Mrs. Catherine Meyer, wife of a driver, killed her two children, a daughter, three years old, and a son, one year old, by throwing them into a cistern under the floor of the kitchen.

She then threw herself into the cistern. Mrs. Meyer left a note addressed to her relatives. It was written incoherently, but said she owed a grocery bill of $1.06, and that the grocer had refused to trust her for any more. The letter said nothing about committing suicide.

FIRE IN OHIO PENITENTIARY.

Large Building Burned While 2200 Prisoners Were in Their Cells.

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Special).—The large three-story building within the walls of the Ohio Penitentiary, occupied by bolt-manufacturing shops, was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of over $100,000. The fire is supposed to have originated on the third floor from a spark.

The fire occurred after supper, and the 2200 prisoners were locked in their cells. The State's loss is estimated at $40,000, with no insurance. The Columbus Bolt Works' loss is estimated at $60,000 to $100,000, with $50,000 insurance.

WOMEN'S TICKET BEATEN.

Men Regain Control of Beattie Kan., After a Year of Prohibition.

TOPEKA, Kan. (Special).—The election for city officers in the town of Beattie, Marshall County, was a contest between men and women, and the men won.

The ticket composed entirely of women was elected a year ago. The women officers, headed by Mrs. Elizabeth Totten, Mayor, were candidates for re-election.

The men rebelled against strict prohibition enforced by the women, and the men's ticket was elected with the exception of a clerk, one councilman and the marshal. The latter is a man.

DEWEY AND THE PRESIDENCY.

The Admiral's Views About the "Highest Honor in the Nation's Gift."

NEW YORK CITY (Special).—Admiral George Dewey, according to announcements in the New York Herald and World, is willing to be a candidate for President.

He authorizes the World to announce to the American people that after mature reflection and in response to the earnest entreaties from all parts of the country his former decision not under any circumstances to run for the Presidency is rescinded.

Nebraska Bank Ordered Closed.

The State Bank of Cambridge, Neb., was closed on orders of the State Banking Board. The capital of the bank is $12,500 and its deposits $40,000. An acumulation of bad paper is given as the cause of the failure.

General Joubert's Dying Wish.

President Kruger said in public at Pretoria, South African Republic, that the last expressed desire of the late Commandant General Joubert was that he should be succeeded as Commandant General by Louis Botha.

1812 Pensioner Dead.

Aunt Emily Bennett, the oldest citizen of Plainfield and the last 1812 pensioner in Windham County, Conn., died after a long illness aged eighty-nine.

Imperial Post in Germany.

All the private postal companies in Germany have been abolished and the Imperial Post has taken their place throughout the empire

PORTO RICO BILL PASSED.

Senate Voted 40 to 31 For the Amended Measure.

FREE TRADE AMENDMENTS LOST.

Seven Republicans Recorded in the Negative — Last Day's Debate Attracted Many People — Speakers For and Against the Bill—Scheme of Government Proposed For the Island.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—By a majority of nine votes the Porto Rico bill, including the provisions for a tariff and for a temporary form of government, was passed by the Senate, just as it was completed by the committee of which Mr. Foraker is chairman. The vote stood 40 to 31. A magnificent audience occupied the galleries when the bill was passed, having attended the session to hear the speeches and witness the proceedings at the critical hour.

The speeches which preceded the votes were by Senators Mason, Culberson, Clay, Teller, Bacon, Wellington and Lindsay in opposition to the bill, and Foraker, Ross, Stewart and Gallinger in support of it.

There were three roll calls in connection with the bill. The first was on the Davis amendment, contemplating free trade, by making Porto Rico one of the internal revenue districts of the United States. This resulted in its defeat by a vote of 40 to 30. Senators Davis, Mason, Nelson, Proctor, Simon, Wellington and Heitfeld voting with the Democrats in favor of the amendment.

The next vote was on Senator Nelson's absolute free trade amendment, which was defeated by a vote of 41 to 29. The loss of one vote in favor of free trade on this amendment was caused by Senator Daniel, who voted with the Republicans against it. The vote on the final passage of the bill resulted in yeas 40 and nays 31, as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Allison, Baker, Bard, Carter, Chandler, Clark (Wyoming), Cullom, Deboe, Depew, Fairbanks, Foraker, Foster, Frye, Gallinger, Gear, Hanna, Hansbrough, Hawley, Jones (Nevada), Kean, Kyle, Lodge, McBride, McComas, McMillan, Penrose, Perkins, Platt (Connecticut), Platt (New York), Pritchard, Quarles, Ross, Scott, Sewell, Shoup, Spooner, Stewart, Thurston, Wetmore, Wolcott—40.

NAYS.—Messrs. Allen, Bacon, Bate, Berry, Clark (Montana), Clay, Cockrell, Culberson, Daniel, Davis (Rep.), Harris, Heitfeld, Jones (Arkansas), Kenney, Lindsay, McLaurin, Martin, Mason (Rep.), Money, Morgan, Nelson (Rep.), Pettus, Proctor (Rep.), Simon (Rep.), Sullivan, Taliaferro, Teller, Tillman, Turley, Vest, Wellington (Rep.)—31.

The bill as passed consists of thirty-nine sections. Section 1 makes the act apply to Porto Rico and its adjacent islands and waters. Section 2 extends to Porto Rico the tariff rates of the United States on all imports from foreign countries, besides five cents a pound on all coffee. Section 3 imposes on goods imported from the United States into Porto Rico and from Porto Rico into the United States fifteen per cent. of existing tariff rates.

Section 4 provides that the duties and taxes collected in Porto Rico shall not be covered into the general fund of the Treasury, but shall be held as a separate fund and shall be placed at the disposal of the President to be used for the government and benefit of Porto Rico until otherwise provided by law. As soon as a civil government for Porto Rico is organized in accordance with the provisions of this act all duties and taxes in Porto Rico collected under the act shall be paid into the Treasury of Porto Rico.

Section 5 fixes the capital of Porto Rico at San Juan. Section 6 recognizes the inhabitants as citizens of Porto Rico and as entitled to the protection of the United States. Section 7 recognizes the laws and ordinances of Porto Rico so far as they are not inconsistent with the statutory laws of the United States.

Section 8 directs the Commissioner of Navigation to make regulations for the nationalization of vessels owned by the inhabitants of Porto Rico on April 11, 1899, and still owned by them, and their admission to the coasting trade of the United States. Section 9 provides for the establishment of quarantine stations. Section 10 provides for the substitution of American coins for those of Porto Rico.

Section 11 directs the payment of the expenses of the Porto Rico Government out of its own revenues. Section 12 extends to Porto Rico the statutory laws of the United States not locally inapplicable, except internal revenue laws. Section 13 gives to the legislative authority power to amend or repeal any existing law. Section 14 requires all judicial processes to run in the name of the United States of America, and it requires all officials to take an oath to support the Constitution of the United States and the laws of Porto Rico. Section 15 defines the powers and duties of the Governor of Porto Rico.

Section 16 provides for the appointment by the President for four years of a Secretary, Attorney-General, Treasurer, Auditor, Commissioner of the Interior, Commissioner of Education and five other persons to constitute an Executive Council. At least five of them are to be native inhabitants of Porto Rico. Sections 17 and 18 prescribe the duties of the Secretary. Sections 19 to 24 prescribe the duties of the Attorney-General, Treasurer, Auditor, Commissioners of the Interior and of Education, and the other five members of the Executive Council.

Section 25 vests legislative powers in two houses, the Executive Council and a House of Delegates consisting of thirty-five members elected biennially. Section 26, 27, 28 and 29 apply to the election of delegates and define the legislative authority.

Section 31 to 35 regulate the judiciary of the island. The Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court and Marshal are to be appointed by the President and the Judges of the District Courts by the Governor. Section 34 directs that the salaries of all officials shall be paid out of the revenues of Porto Rico, and fixes the salaries of the officials herein mentioned.

Section 36 provides that no export duties shall be levied or collected on exports from Porto Rico; but that taxes and assessments on property and license fees may be imposed by act of the Legislative Assembly.

Section 37 provides for a Resident Commissioner to the United States, who shall be entitled to official recognition by all departments. He must be a bona fide citizen of Porto Rico, thirty years of age, and must read and write the English language. Section 38 provides for a commission of three members, one at least a native citizen of Porto Rico, to be appointed by the President to compile and revise the laws of Porto Rico. Section 39 makes the act take effect on May 1, 1900.

MORE FIGHTING IN LUZON

Insurgents and Americans Meet in Several Encounters.

Filipinos Murder Natives in Sympathy With Americans — Generals Ask For More Troops.

MANILA (By Cable).—Reports of encounters between the American troops and the insurgents continue to arrive from many points. Captain Sturgis, while reconnoitering, struck an insurgent outpost on the Novaliches Road, five miles distant from Manila, killing two and capturing ten. All were in full uniform. Unfortunately, Captain Sturgis's force was not large enough to pursue the main body.

A detachment of the Forty-second Infantry, while scouting in Lagana Province was pursued by the insurgents and obliged to take refuge in a church at Paete, where the Americans repelled the rebels until reinforcements arrived.

Lieutenant Gordon, with a company of the Sixteenth Infantry, while scouting near Aparri, Cagayan Province, engaged the insurgents. Lieutenant Gordon was wounded.

The insurgents made a night attack upon Dalbayon, Island of Samar. They killed the sentry, swarmed into the town, and searched the house of Major Gilmore, of the Forty-third Infantry, who was absent. They killed his cook. Ultimately the Americans drove them out of the town, killing four and capturing twelve.

General Young, commanding in North Luzon, has made several requests for reinforcements, representing that his force is inadequate; that the men are exhausted by the necessity of constant vigilance; that he is unable to garrison the towns in his jurisdiction; that the insurgents are returning to the district and killing the amigos, and that it is necessary for him to inflict punishment in several sections before the rainy season begins.

General James Bell, who is in command in Southern Luzon, has made similar representations. He says his forces are inadequate and that he merely holds a few towns without controlling the territory.

The President of the town of Samal, Province of Bataan Luzon, and another prominent native have been assassinated because they were known to be friendly to the Americans. The President of another town has joined the insurgents because they had threatened to kill him if he did not.

GENERAL OTIS RELIEVED.

War Department Grants His Request to Return to the United States.

WASHINGTON D. C. (Special).—The official announcement was made at the War Department that Major-General Otis will return to the United States within the next two months. He will be succeeded in command of the division of the Philippines by General MacArthur. General Otis's return is in response to a cabled request in which he says that private interests require his return to the States. He adds that he believes matters can be placed in quite satisfactory condition by that date, "although a large repressive military force must be maintained for some time."

Secretary Root said that he did not expect that General Otis would be able to leave until the arrival of the Philippine Commission. The Commission will arrive in Manila about May 15.

There has been no action taken regarding General Otis's future command, as he will be on waiting orders for several months, and there will be sufficient time in which to decide upon a command for him.

FIVE MURDERERS GARROTED.

Porto Rican Criminals Put to Death by the Spanish Method.

PONCE, Porto Rico (By Cable).—Simeon Rodriguez, Carlos Pacheco, Hermogenes Pacheco, Eugenio Rodriguez and Rosalio Santiago have been put to death by the garrote.

Their crime was committed in October 1898, when they murdered a family at Yauco. A gang of twenty entered the house, killed the father and compelled the daughters to join in a wild dance around the corpse. Only five of the men were captured.

Early in the morning the condemned men were taken from the jail separately in carts, attended by the police and the priests. On arriving at the scene of the execution they were killed one at a time although two machines were used. The men were placed with their backs to the post and the machine crushed their necks when the executioner tightened the screw. Before this the men made speeches to the crowd, declaring their innocence.

Thousands of persons witnessed the execution and expressed pity for the condemned men and indignation at the executioners. There was no violence, however, and the police handled the crowds in good order. A company of American infantry was present, but their services were not needed.

GENERAL JOHN BIDWELL DEAD.

He Was the Prohibition Candidate For President in 1892.

CHICO, Cal. (Special).—General John Bidwell, the Prohibition candidate for President in 1892, who died at his home near this city from heart failure, was a pioneer

GENERAL JOHN BIDWELL.

of 1841 and the founder of Chico. He was eighty years old and a native of Chautauqua County, N. Y. He left an estate valued at $1,000,000.

COURT AGAINST TAYLOR.

Kentucky's Court of Appeals Decides in Favor of Beckham.

THE REPUBLICANS WILL APPEAL

By a Vote of Six to One It Is Declared That the Courts Have No Power to Go Behind the Legislative Record—Another Man Named as Goebel's Murderer—Cases to Go Higher.

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Special).—The Court of Appeals has handed down its decision in the Gubernatorial contest in favor of Beckham, Judge Durelle dissenting. The other two Republican Judges, Burnam and Guffy handed down a separate opinion, which differed in its reasons from the Democratic Judges, but agreed with them in its conclusion. Judge Hobson, one of the four Democratic Judges, wrote the opinion of the majority of the court, affirming the decision of Judge Field, of Louisville.

Former Governor W. O. Bradley, chief counsel for Governor Taylor, authorized the statement that an appeal on behalf of Governor Taylor and Lieutenant Governor Marshall will be carried to the Supreme Court of the United States. Mr. Bradley and Judge W. H. Yost, counsel for the Republican State officers, were in consultation with Governor Taylor for several hours and the above statement was made at the close of the conference.

SENATOR GOEBEL'S ASSASSIN.

Said to Have Been a Clay County Man Hired for the Deed.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (By Special).—The Courier-Journal publishes a circumstantial story purporting to give the details of the conception and execution of the plot to kill Senator Goebel. The story is based upon evidence said to have been given to the attorneys for the prosecution by F. Wharton Golden, W. H. Culton, H. E. Youtsey and others.

WHARTON GOLDEN.

The story gives the name of the man suspected of having fired the shot. He has been involved in Clay County feuds. He is suposed to be in the mountains, and has not yet been arrested.

The men associated in the conspiracy, it is asserted, are those who were implicated by Golden's testimony, several of whom are now under arrest, while others are either in the mountains or in neighboring States.

The story follows Golden's testimony as to the plan to cause a riot in the Legislature, during which Democratic members were to have have been killed; tells how the alleged plan to kill Senator Goebel was carried out; of the purchase from a well-known Cincinnati house of twenty-five steel-bullet, smokeless-powder cartridges; of the procuring of a thirty-eight-calibre rifle, with which the shooting is said to have been done, the weapon being returned an hour afterward, and of the payment of $1600 in advance to the man who did the shooting. The assassin is said to have escaped to the mountains, escorted by a number of armed men.

PENNSYLVANIA FOR BRYAN.

The State Democratic Convention Instructs Delegates For Him.

HARRISBURG, Penn. (Special).—The sixty-four delegates from Pennsylvania to the National Democratic Convention at Kansas City were instructed by the State Convention to support William J. Bryan for President.

The following nominations were made:

Auditor—P. Gray Meek, of Centre County.

Congressmen-at-Large—Harry E. Grim, of Bucks County, and N. M. Edwards, of Williamsport.

Electors-at-Large—General A. H. Coffroth, of Somerset; Otto Germer, of Erie; Francis Shunk Brown, of Philadelphia, and Andrew Kaul, of Elk.

Delegates-at-Large—Colonel James M. Guffey, Allegheny; former Governor Robert E. Pattison, Philadelphia; Captain J. B. Keenan, Westmoreland; Congressman Rufus K. Polk, Montour; Charles J. Reilly, Lycoming; former Congressman James Kerr, Clearfield; John M. Garman, Luzerne; former Congressman W. H. Sowden, Lehigh.

The platform met with a hearty reception and indorsement, and declares that Porto Rico have free trade, denounces the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, condemns the Idaho mine tyranny, declares for a Nicaragua Canal controlled and protected by the country, calls for fortification of strategic positions on the Pacific and no entangling alliances with England or other countries, secret or open.

ADMIRAL DEWEY A DEMOCRAT

He So States to Reporters, to Whom He Accords an Interview.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn. (Special).—Admiral Dewey and Mrs. Dewey came here from Washington to attend the concert in aid of the families of soldiers and sailors killed in the Philippines. They were enthusiastically received by the audience. After the concert the Admiral and his wife were driven to their hotel, and there the Admiral, in response to pressing requests, granted an interview to nearly a dozen newspaper men.

"Are you correctly reported to be a Democrat?" the reporters inquired of the Admiral.

After a moment's hesitation the Admiral replied: "Yes, I think I can answer that. Yes, I am a Democrat."

"If the Republicans nominate McKinley and the Democrats name Bryan for the Presidency, would you run independently?" was asked.

"I won't answer that question," the Admiral replied.

"The Democratic Convention of Pennsylvania has just indorsed Bryan for the Presidency," was suggested by one reporter, to which the Admiral replied: "Pennsylvania usually goes Republican, doesn't it?"

Town of Dewey Wiped Out by Fire.

The town of Dewey, Wis., was practically wiped out by fire. The Postmaster was seriously injured. The Postoffice Department was notified to provide a new postoffice and an official to take charge of it.

ALL IS WELL.

THE clock strikes twelve,
The year is at its spring,
And o'er her callow brood the thrush
Folds close a sheltering wing;
While through our cottage window pane
A moonbeam struggles wild,
With silvery torch to guide the dreams
Of mother and of child.

The clock strikes twelve,
The year is in its prime,
Lo, Youth and Love stand 'neath the stars
To hear the fairy chime.
The gleaming dew like music drips
From glad red roses sweet—
Alas, that life should be so full,
The winged hours so fleet.

The clock strikes twelve,
The hour is dark and still;
Long shadows lie athwart the tombs
In the graveyard on the hill,
A frost is blighting leaf and bud,
But spares yon lilies white,
Whose pale, pure faces turn toward dawn,
And wait the Easter light.

—EVA KATHARINE CLAPP

A LEGEND OF EASTER

(This little legend, by Canon Christopher Schmid, is supposed to have been written to explain the origin of the custom of distributing Easter eggs. It has been adapted from the French of H. A. Geuber.)

EASTER'S near approach brings to mind the following story: At one time there was situated in a little valley in the midst of some high mountains a small village composed of several huts or cabins in which lived a number of families who were very poor but good and respectable. The inhabitants of this little valley had some gardens where they cultivated vegetables and a few fields where they raised grain to make their bread and a few cows and goats from whom they got the milk to make their butter and cheese.

The men and women were very industrious, and the little children helped their parents by taking care of the goats and cows on the mountain. One day a little girl who was tending some goats on the mountain came running down to her mother to tell about a beautiful lady who had just arrived on horseback on the mountain, accompanied by a little girl and a little boy and a man, evidently a servant. The lady was very tired and had asked the little girl for some bread and milk for her children, who were hungry and thirsty. The mother prepared some milk, bread, butter and cheese and with her husband and little girl ascended the mountain and found the lady and her children sitting on a rock. The little boy and girl were as beautiful as their mother, and all three were handsomely dressed. The lady accepted the bread and milk with many thanks, and when they had satisfied their hunger and thirst the lady began to question the poor woman and her husband. When she learned that the village was inhabited only by peasants she seemed greatly pleased and said that she would rest there awhile to recover from the fatigue of crossing the mountain. She inquired if there was an unoccupied house to be obtained, and on learning that there was one she went to look at it, and declared it to be quite convenient. The necessary arrangements were completed in a short while, and the lady and her children with the servant, whose name was Kuno, took possession of the house. One of the young girls of the village, named Marie, was found willing to take service with the lady, and when they were settled in the little house her mistress said to Marie:

"Here is some money. Go and buy me some meat, butter, cheese and bread."

Marie answered: "Madame, it is impossible to buy any meat, for we only have meat in the winter, when the men kill a bear."

"No meat," said the lady; "that is terrible. Well, then, go buy me some eggs that I may give them to my children."

"Oh, madame," said Marie, "you surely would not be so cruel as to take the eggs of the poor little birds that sing so sweetly."

"No, no," said the lady; "I asked for the eggs of the hen, not the eggs

THE BEAUTIFUL LADY AND HER CHILDREN.

of the birds that sing in the forest."

"Madame," answered Marie, "I do not know of the eggs of the hen of which you speak. We have no hens."

The lady was greatly surprised, but as hens came from another part of the country she saw that it was not easy for the poor people who had never left the little valley to procure any hens.

As it was impossible to obtain either meat or eggs the lady and the children had to be content with bread and milk, and after supper that evening madame called Kuno and said to him:

"To-morrow morning take the horse, cross the mountain and go to the city that we saw on our way hither and buy me the necessary things that I have marked on this list. Buy me also some hens and a rooster."

Kuno did as directed and arrived home at a late hour that evening, bringing with him all sorts of useful things; but the children of the village were particularly curious about a cage which he carried and in which were some extraordinary looking birds.

Kuno put the cage on the ground, opened the door and out walked the rooster, followed by the hens. The lady gave some grain to the rooster and hens and as they ate it the children looked on with admiration. Their astonishment was increased when the rooster began to crow, and the next morning when they saw the large white eggs that the hens had laid their admiration was beyond limit.

The lady was so good and charitable that all the people in the village learned to love her. She gave food to the poor, visited the sick, consoled the afflicted and all the summer, winter and autumn lived in the village. She had now many hens and consequently a number of eggs which she gave to the sick, showing the women of the village many ways of cooking the eggs which they found delicious. The hens were a source of great amusement to the children.

The poor people in the village were so obliging that the lady determined to give them some pleasure and as they worked every day with the exception of Sunday, she selected the festival of Easter and prepared a feast for that day. With the assistance of Marie she made a quantity of good things to eat and then colored a large number of eggs. These were colored red, blue, green, orange, lilac and in fact all the colors of the rainbow and were intended as a surprise for the children of the village.

Edmund and Blanche took charge of the village children and brought them to a little woods at the back of the house where they were shown a number of little nests of moss—one for each child. When they opened them they saw five colored eggs in each nest. On each egg was a sentence or two of writing, containing some good advice for the children and they came and showed their treasures with much joy to their parents. When all had said goodby a poor little boy, a stranger, came to the door and said that he was very tired and hungry, and was on his way to visit his mother, who was very sick. He had a little money which he was trying to save for his mother who was poor as well as sick. The lady invited him into the house and after giving him a good supper prepared some provisions for him to eat on the way home, gave him a piece of gold for his mother and also three colored eggs, on one of which was written:

"In God put thy confidence and thou shalt receive assistance."

The boy, whose name was Fridolin, set out for his home, across the mountain, and had not gone far when he saw a horse standing near a ravine, but without a rider. The boy looked into the ravine and saw that a man in the dress of a cavalier lay there, who looked as if dead. He examined the man and found that he was badly hurt, but not dead. He got some water for the knight, who asked if he could give him anything to eat. Fridolin said that he had eaten all the provisions given him for the journey and only had the three colored eggs for his father, mother and sister. The man said, "Give me the eggs and I will give you some gold," and Fridolin gave him the eggs and he ate two and told Fridolin to keep the third. When, however, the man looked at the writing on the third egg, he was greatly surprised, for he recognized it as that of his wife. He had been obliged to leave his family and go to war at the command of his king, and an enemy, taking advantage of his absence, had attacked his castle, driven his wife and children from home and burned the house to the ground. When he returned from the war and found his home in ruins he at once went in search of his wife, whom he feared was in the power of his enemy. He learned through Fridolin that she was safe and where she was staying, and determined to go to her at once. He traveled as a pilgrim, for fear that his enemy might hear of him, and reached the little village in a short time. His children met him, became very friendly with him, but their mother, fearing that the pilgrim might be an enemy in disguise, was frightened until her husband threw off the pilgrim's long cloak and discovered himself to her. He told how he had been able, through her kindness and charity to the poor little Fridolin, to find her, and she, in turn, told how the brave Kuno had taken herself and the children from the castle by a secret passage.

The Chevalier Arno, for such was the name of the father of Edmund and Blanche, was touched by the story of the kindness of the poor village people to his wife and children.

The chevalier and his family left the next day, but they never forgot the poor people in the valley and each year distributed among them a quantity of Easter eggs and the custom extended from country to country until now it is known in all the countries of Christendom.

THE HARE AND THE EASTER EGG.

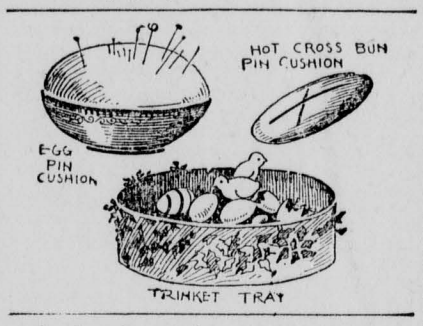
(We have grown so accustomed to the appearance of the hare and the egg at Easter time that we forget to wonder at their rather strange association. According to a German legend, a noble lady, who wished to make the children sensible to the beauties of nature in the spring, conceived the idea of hiding dyed eggs in little nests along the lanes and hedges and starting the children on a search for them. She took her own two children and the children of the poor cottagers, and great was the delight when her pretty treasures were discovered. But great was also the wonder as to how those fine eggs were laid, when it happened that a hare, startled by the many voices, ran out of one of the bushes, and a little boy cried out, "It must be the hare!" So ever since the hare and the Easter egg have been inseparable.)

Artistic Easter Gifts.

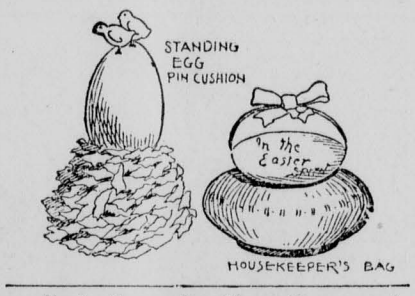
Chickens, eggs, Passion flowers, lilies and hot cross buns seem distinctive emblems at Easter, each with an origin in some ancient sacred rite or custom connected with this festival.

Many simple gifts can be made into appropriate Easter offerings by decorating them permanently or temporarily with one or other of these or making the articles themselves fac-similes as far as possible of the above items.

The hot cross bun pincushion is what many people term "cute." It is



made the size of the "real old Chelsea" hot cross bun, about six inches across, and composed of a foundation which is cut from muslin in two seven-inch diameter circles, sewn round and stuffed flat to shape of bun. The top cover is of cream satin, slightly scorched, or it may be tinted with the brush, cut in a larger circle than the cushion, the edges gathered and drawn underneath. Linen may be used instead of satin. The cross is made by sewing through the cushion at the proper cross lines a fine silk cord or narrow ribbon, being taken over the stitches, the ends taken in a very large



needle to the underside and secured, or, if ribbon, they are turned in and sewn down. When all large stitches are made ends and raw edges are hidden under a circle of muslin or silk underneath.

Another useful toilet trifle is a hanging or standing egg cushion for hair and hat pins. The standing basket is made of a basket, of cream or white shade, in which an egg shaped cushion, stuffed with curled hair and covered by veiling or other net, is placed. This basket is improved by a little shot pad, to weight it and make it stand more firmly. If a hanging cushion is preferred, a large cream or buff cushion is made, just as for the basket, but it is simply provided with a loop of ribbon at one end.

Where Easter Lilies Come From.

Few people who see the multitude of lilies used in the adornment of churches will realize what has been the labor of bringing these lovely flowers from the places where they were grown, or even what care has been necessary to force them into bloom for this time of year. America uses for all kinds of decorations, but especially for Easter, ten times as many lilies or flowers as any other country. A florist has been heard to say that this is not an "imported fad," but an original one. The lilies that are peculiarly Easter lilies are in bloom in their native soil in Bermuda at this time of year, and yet there, in the land of flowers, an American woman was astonished a few years ago to find that no flowers were placed upon the altars of the churches on Easter, although the worshipers could look out through open doors and windows to whole fields white with lilies, and to hedgerows showing a wealth of blossoms.

Many of the lilies used in the United States have in former years come from Bermuda, having been sent as buds packed well in moss. When put in warm water these buds will quickly open, and thus quantities of lilies are obtained with little trouble Flowers are grown from the bulbs.

An Early Day Designation.

Easter Day was known for a time as "the Sunday of Joy." There were sports and dances and farcial exhibitions, even the clergy at times reciting from their pulpits stories and legends of such nature as to induce hearty laughter in their hearers. To such an extent were these celebrations carried, however, one of the earliest and most successful of the sixteenth century reform movements was directed against the abuses of the day.

"COMING EARLY TO AVOID THE RUSH."

STATE NEWS BUDGET.

Lehigh Laboratory Burned.

The physical laboratory of Lehigh University, one of the largest and best equipped buildings of its kind in the country, at South Bethlehem, was burned to the ground and all its scientific apparatus destroyed The building was a four-story stone structure, erected in 1893 at a cost of $150,000 The apparatus was valued at $50,000, and included all modern improvements. There is only $50,000 insurance. The fire started in the photographic room where Professor W. S. Franklin, of the chair of physics and electrical engineering, was making a diffraction photograph to exhibit at the New York Academy of Science. A lantern set fire to the curtains and the flames spread through the building before the firemen could control them. Several students and firemen were cut by falling glass. Some of the boys made their escape by jumping from the windows. The announcement is made that the laboratory will be rebuilt at once.

Girl's Long Sleep Broken.

Miss Alice Ireland, an eighteen-year-old girl, of Chester, who has been asleep at Media, awoke after a profound slumber of four days. She went to Media to visit Mrs Alfred B. Worrall and was taken suddenly ill. She fell into a swoon and remained in that state until she opened her eyes. The case has puzzled the physicians and the family. At first it was thought that the young girl's illness was only temporary but as the hours passed by and she grew very pale and her breathing became fainter the family became alarmed. Miss Ireland was revived at intervals on the fourth day by shaking her arm. She seemed to know those about her, but could not converse intelligently. The young woman acted as though she had just completed some difficult task from which she was weary. Dr. E. M. Harvey, the attending physician, says that she has been suffering from hysterical convulsions, but he cannot ascribe any cause. He says she will recover

A Soldier's Lucky Purchase.

A romantic story of an almost forgotten investment concerns William J. Devine, of Ambler. In 1864, while lying before Petersburg with the Union army, Mr. Devine bought from a Government agent eighty acres of timber land in the wilds of Minnesota. The price paid was fifty cents an acre. After the close of war, along with comrades who had made similar investments, he visited the ground and filed warrants in the Commissioner's office of the county. He kept the taxes paid regularly but thought little of the matter until a few days ago, when he was offered $24,000 for his tract of wild land. He is ignorant of the purpose for which it is wanted, and will make an investigation before giving up his claim, which may prove to be ever more valuable.

To Form Union of Woman's Clubs.

Representatives from ten different woman's clubs of Delaware and Chester Counties assembled in the Media Clubhouse at Media for the purpose of taking into consideration the advisability of forming a club union of the two counties. The matter was referred to the Reciprocity Bureau of the State for final action. Mrs. Clara B Miller, of Media, presided and Mrs. Ellen H. E. Price, of Swarthmore, acted as Secretary. The clubs represented were: Chester, Media, Swarthmore, Ridley Park, Darby, the Novelty, Round Table and New Century Club, of Lansdowne, all of Delaware County, and the Phoenixville and West Chester, of Chester County.

Cupid Worked Through the Mail.

Deeply in love with each other, though they never met before, Harry Seltzer, a young farmer of McKeansburg, and Miss Celia Korb, of DuBois, Iowa, were married a few days ago at the home of the groom's mother. Mutual friends brought about the match by telling Mr. Seltzer and Miss Korb about each other. They began a correspondence, and through the mails Cupid did his work. The troth was plighted, and Miss Korb arrived at McKeansburg to be married. Rev. William Gangluff, of the Church of God, performed the ceremony

Girl's Discovery Cost Her Life.

Ruth Altenderfer, four years old, died of a wound received from the accidental discharge of a pistol which she had found in a closet at her home, in Swedeland. She was left in the house with her two brothers, Carl, aged eleven, and Wayne, aged seven. The brothers found her playing with the pistol. Carl sought to take it from her, and she was in the act of passing it to him when it was discharged. The ball entered her brain back of the left ear.

Big Fee From the Carnegie Company.

The State Treasury was enriched to the extent of $166,000, representing the bonus on an increase of capital stock of the Carnegie Steel Company from $100,000 to $50,000,000. It was received at the State Department with a formal return of the election held in Pittsburg on March 27, at which this action was taken by unanimous approval of the holders of 1900 shares voted.

Heroic Railroad Engineer Killed.

On the Pennsylvania Railroad, west of Irwin, an axle of a freight train broke and wrecked the train. A west-bound freight crashed into the wreckage. Engineer Daniel Schrum remained at his post to set the brakes and then jumped, but was caught in the wreckage and crushed to death.

Aged Couple United in Death.

Christian Fauth and his wife, Catherine, of Lower Windsor Township, died within a few hours of each other. Mrs. Fauth's death was due to old age, and the husband's to the same cause, hastened by the shock of his wife's death. They were both between eighty-nine and ninety years of age.

Heart Gave Out in Wrestling.

George Townsend, manager of the general store at France, Clearfield County, was engaged in a friendly wrestling match with Lewis Trude when the latter fell dead. Death was due to heart failure from overexertion in wrestling.

Farmer Burned to Death.

While Milton Hassinger, an aged farmer, who lived about two miles west of McClure, was engaged in burning brush, his clothes caught fire. Despite the efforts of his hired man to save him, he perished in terrible agony.

Robbers Left Trail of Blood.

Thieves entered the store of C. M. Brownmiller, at Shoemakersville, a few days ago. Mr. Brownmiller fired at them and they shot back twice. They escaped, leaving a trail of blood behind. One of them shouted as if in pain.

Best Oil Well in the Field.

The "gusher" oil well, struck at Gaines several days ago, and which started off at fifty-five barrels an hour, has settled down to a steady flow of sixty barrels a day. It is the biggest well in the Gaines field

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Topic For the Week Beginning April 15, "The Bread of Life." Text, John vi, 24-40.

"I am the bread of life."

Without food come famine, weakness, death. No bodily strength can be kept up without frequent eating and drinking. Life depends on food. Fasting can go on for awhile; but, if not broken, ends in starvation. Bread, meat, drink, these sustain life and give strength.

No less does the soul of man need to be fed with food adapted to the spirit's wants. Confidence in God, hope for the future, love received and given—these nourish the inner life and give it health and rugged strength to bear and do.

Wealth can no more satisfy soul hunger than stones can feed a hungry stomach. Praises, honors and official position are no more like soul nutriment than a snake is like a fish. Nor can any form of creed or philosophy or system of mere reason fill the cravings of the human heart for comfort and knowledge of destiny. However much it may resemble an egg, it proves to be, too often, only a white scorpion in coil.

Has any one ever found rest to his soul, perfect peace of heart, absolute fullness of spirit and satisfaction of every craving except as he has found it in simple faith in Jesus Christ? Has any one ever come to Him in simple trust and loving obedience without finding all he needed and could desire? Has Jesus ever failed to give complete peace of spirit to all who came?

Truly does He become bread of life to all hungry souls.

Oh, that the world might taste and see
The riches of His grace!
The arms of love that compass me
Would all mankind embrace.

Manna in the wilderness was given only for a few years. Loaves and fishes were increased only twice to feed the multitudes. But God gives regularly harvests, to be had after faithful labor, and at no time is food lacking to feed all hungry mouths if only it was properly distributed.

So will the gospel save the souls of men from famishing if they will receive it.

To refuse salvation is as unwise and insane as to starve to death in the midst of plenty.

To neglect to carry the gospel to sinful men is as heartless and blameworthy as to neglect to feed the hungry at our door.

Religion In the Navy.

Chaplain Cassard was on the Indiana in the blockade of Havana and Santiago and was in the engagement which destroyed Cervera's fleet. Most interestingly he talks and lectures of life on shipboard and of the thrilling scenes he has witnessed in the late war.

There is real piety in the navy. Not a few of the sailors, marines and offi-

CHAPLAIN CASSARD.

cers are devout Christians. The frequent changing of men from one vessel to another prevents any permanent organization or continuous work, but there is still much good possible for a chaplain to do among the men. In some of the vessels there are Endeavor societies which are spiritually helpful. Several of the chaplains are Methodists and in their Sunday services follow quite closely the order of service presented by the general conference.

The Master's Touch.

It is said that once Mendelssohn came to see the great Freiburg organ. The old custodian refused him permission to play upon the instrument, not knowing who he was. At length, however, he reluctantly granted him leave to play a few notes. Mendelssohn took his seat, and soon the most wonderful music was breaking forth from the organ. The custodian was spellbound. He came up beside the great musician and asked his name. Learning it, he stood humiliated, self condemned, saying, "And I refused you permission to play upon my organ!" There comes one to us and desires to take our lives and play upon them. But we withhold ourselves from Him. He would bring from our souls heavenly music.—Christian Index.

What Do You Read?

Make a list of what you have read the past month and see if it has been worth the time spent upon it. It is a good plan to lay out a course of reading and keep to it closely, refusing to let the mind be drawn off on outside topics. Make it include something in several departments. Things will go more smoothly in business and in home life if there is a course of reading to take the thought away from perplexities and annoyances that tend to irritate. Include some poetry, some books on travel and art, some stories and histories.

You cannot always get introduced to people who can do you good by their conversation, but you can always get an introduction through their books to the best that the ablest men and women have to say on every question.

Don't try to read too much, but try to read the best. A second rate book takes as much time to master as a first class one in the same line and gives you far less for your effort. Get the best.

Is It Helpful?

What is the League doing to help the young people to better and broader and happier lives? Is your chapter aiding to develop the spirit of devotion and loyalty? The spiritual department should be of great assistance to every member of the League. Make the meetings sparkle with earnest, cheerful, helpful testimony, prayer and song.

The mercy and help work should enlist every person. Send flowers and delicacies to the sick of the church, and, best of all, send the young people to call on the aged, infirm and sick. Sing where it can be done without harm, pray and give good cheer to the down hearted and afflicted.

Be on the lookout for strangers at church. Speak to them and make them welcome.

Stir up that literary department. Get some reading started. Have a comparison of books read by the members. Let each person be called on for a list of those read recently. Occasionally let some one in a three or five minute speech review some good book.

Make your League helpful. Otherwise it is worse than useless.

Christian Discipleship.

The acceptance of Christian power from the Lord and the exercise of it in the practical relations of home, of the church, of society and business, will take away the hardness of life, the wear and friction and pain. In the home it will make heaven; in the church it will increase the power of worship and usefulness a hundredfold; in business it will relieve the weariness and burden. The hard things of life will be softened; the evil things and unkind things will lose their power to hurt. In every relation of life love will bring peace.

This is the crowning privilege of a Christian disciple. It is given to him to be a power in the world for good and to live in love and peace through the grace and mercy of the Lord. This more than all else must be felt by the world at large; it must be felt by the stranger and the children, and all will know the blessedness of Christian discipleship. The light will so shine that it cannot be hid.—Rev. William L. Worcester in Helper.

The Good on the Dark Side.

With a quickened eyesight, go on discovering much good on the worse side, remembering that the same process should proportionably magnify and demonstrate to you the much more good on the better side.—Robert Browning.

Influence of Duty Upon Others.

In doing our very best to be good ourselves we bring tremendous unconscious influence to bear on every one around us. No one can meet a man who transparently and constantly tries to do his duty without being either spurred or shamed by the encounter.—American Friend.

Self direction and self control are better than self denial. Deny self only when self indulgence will bring you into conflict with your higher interests. Hold fast all good, and when you must choose between two always take the highest. Of two evils choose neither. Shun both.

Gone Home.

"Gone home to be with God."
So runs the news
Which comes in day by day.
I cannot choose
But picture that great host
And those who now pass through
The open door.

How does it swell and grow—
That multitude
The "many mansions" fill!
Earth's solitude
Is deeper than of yore,
But that home place—
How beautiful it grows
In joy and grace!

How safe, how free, how glad
They all must be!
They find themselves across
The dreaded sea;
The burden of their care
Has been laid down,
The cross they bore exchanged
For victor's crown.

Yet is their greatest joy
That they can see
The face of Him who died
To set them free.
We weep, but how can they
Do aught but sing?
No tears have they whose eyes
Have seen the King

—Marianne Farningham.

A Message to Men

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